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LABOUR M.P. URGES IMMEDIATE PROGRAMME TO HELP JEWISH REFUGEES

Anglo-German Cordial Relations Impossible If Martyrdom Continues

"WE HAVE GOT TO KEEP THESE UNHAPPY BEINGS WHEN GOEBBELS DRIVES THEM OUT"

London, November 22.
IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS TO-DAY, Mr. P. J. Noel-Baker (Labour) referred to an article which appeared in a German newspaper on November 3 stating, "Out of the hoarded wealth of the Jews we must compensate ourselves for the economic damage done to us by the world Jewry," and said that he believed therein lay the clue to the real character of recent events in Germany.

The treatment of minorities was a moral concern of all nations, said Mr. Noel-Baker, while there was an international question of a more material kind.

CHINESE TROOPS OPPOSITE LAANSHEK

Canton, Nov. 22.
The Chinese Army is reported to have come from Kongmoon over Fatshan highway, reaching the West River opposite Laanshek, some distance beyond Fatshan. The Japanese are still holding Laanshek.

A dogfight occurred when several Chinese planes appeared yesterday. They were pursued and were lost to view from Shameen.

Many Japanese merchants are here. O. S. K. and Mitsui, Japanese banks, are about to open. Notes of the Peiking "Provisional Government" have begun to be used in Canton.

On Sunday the Japanese stopped selling rice to the populace, who can now buy from small street stalls, but the supply is hardly sufficient. Our Own Correspondent.

On Way To Shanghai

Passing through Hongkong yesterday on the s.s. Conte Verde from Italy were approximately one hundred and sixty German and Austrian Jewish refugees en route to Shanghai.

These unfortunate people, who will attempt to rebuild their business and social lives in the North, are of great interest to their countrymen and the general Jewish community in the Colony.



Jewish refugees aboard the s.s. Conte Verde which arrived from Europe yesterday. (Photo, A. A. Kahn).

Plans have been formulated by prominent Jewish residents here, headed by Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie and Mr. E. M. Raymond for financial assistance on their behalf. A representative, Mr. F. Cohn, was at the wharf yesterday morning upon arrival of the liner to lend assistance and render aid to these people during their four-hour stay in Hongkong.

The donations gathered by the Jewish Committee here will be sent to the representatives of the Jewish Refugee Relief Society in Shanghai for distribution.

A small number of the refugees disembarked in Singapore and Manila, and the remainder of them will continue to the North.

NO OFFER OF MEDIATION

Tokyo, Nov. 22.

It is learned from reliable authority that no offer of mediation in the Sino-Japanese conflict was made by the British Government.

A report that such mediation was offered was given prominence in Japanese newspapers.—Reuter.

QUAKER CENTRE PLANNED FOR SHANGHAI

London, Nov. 22.

The establishment in Shanghai of a Quaker centre of reconciliation and friendship, recommended by Mr. H. T. Silcock as a result of his visit to China last winter has now been decided by the Society of Friends and the formation will be undertaken immediately, the American Quakers co-operating.

The plan is that members of the centre re-enter the Japanese occupied areas at the earliest possible moment with a view to working for general appeasement for which the Quakers are well-known. Mr. Silcock will leave for China in January to inaugurate the centre. His wife, who was his coadjutor throughout his previous work at West China University, Chengtu, will not accompany him for reasons of health.—Reuter.

ALARM PERIOD COMMENCES

The Air Raid Precautionary Period ends and the Air Raid Alarm Period commences at 10 p.m. to-night. It is advisable from now onwards for all owners of transport vehicles, rickshaws and cyclists etc. to carry in their vehicles etc. the material with which they propose to dim their lights.

RAILWAY REVENUES DECREASED

London, Nov. 22.

The revenue of the British Railways, from passenger and goods traffic, decreased by £250,000 as compared with the corresponding week of the preceding year.

The decrease is due, above all, to competition of motor vehicles. The papers point out that altogether £1,100,000,000 are invested in the British Railways by 850,000 shareholders.—Transocean.

Japanese Interests Control Navigation On Yangtze

POWERS MUST TAKE JOINT EFFECTIVE ACTION

Chungking, November 22.
That Japanese rejection of the neutral Powers' request for the opening of the Yangtze to navigation is only to be expected, is the opinion of the Chinese press here.

The papers state that the Japanese are not only closing the Yangtze to foreign shipping at present but will eventually bring about a monopoly of the river trade.

It is declared that while the Japanese forbid foreign vessels to navigate the Yangtze it is estimated that 889 Japanese ships left Shanghai recently for Hankow while 849 departed from the latter port for the mouth of the river.

Previously, Japanese shipping on the Yangtze could not compete with that of Jardine's and Butterfield and Swire but now Japanese interests completely control navigation on this international waterway, it is pointed out.

The Chinese papers go on to say that the Japanese are using the present opportunity to monopolise the Yangtze River trade and, if other Powers wish to safeguard their own interests in the Far East and to maintain the "Open Door" in China, they must take immediate and effective joint action.—Reuter.

Famine Threatens Large Areas In Ceylon

Colombo, November 22.

Threat of famine hangs over large areas in Ceylon owing to an unprecedented drought.

Acute distress is reported from various parts of the country where cattle are dying by the hundreds and paddy fields are lying fallow.

Epidemics of dysentery and malaria are feared due to the drinking of impure water.

Venomous snakes are leaving the jungles in southern Ceylon and invading towns and villages in search of water.—Reuter.

HELP FOR CANTON

Clothing And Food Sent From H.K.

For the past few days Messrs. J. M. Wong and Lau King-tsing, members of the Committee of the Hongkong Chinese Chamber of Commerce, carried out a "purchasing campaign" on behalf of the Hongkong Emergency Relief Committee.

They bought, amongst other things, thousands of pieces of cotton quilts, padded cotton jackets, as well as oil, rice and salt fish.

There were put on board the s.s. Wuchang and will be shipped to Canton this morning, where the goods will be received by mission workers.

TEMPORARY HELP
The situation in Canton is such that the food purchased will not last very long. However, the temporary relief thus afforded will be a great help. It is understood that

A.R.P. WORK IN CHUNGKING

Families Ordered To Evacuate

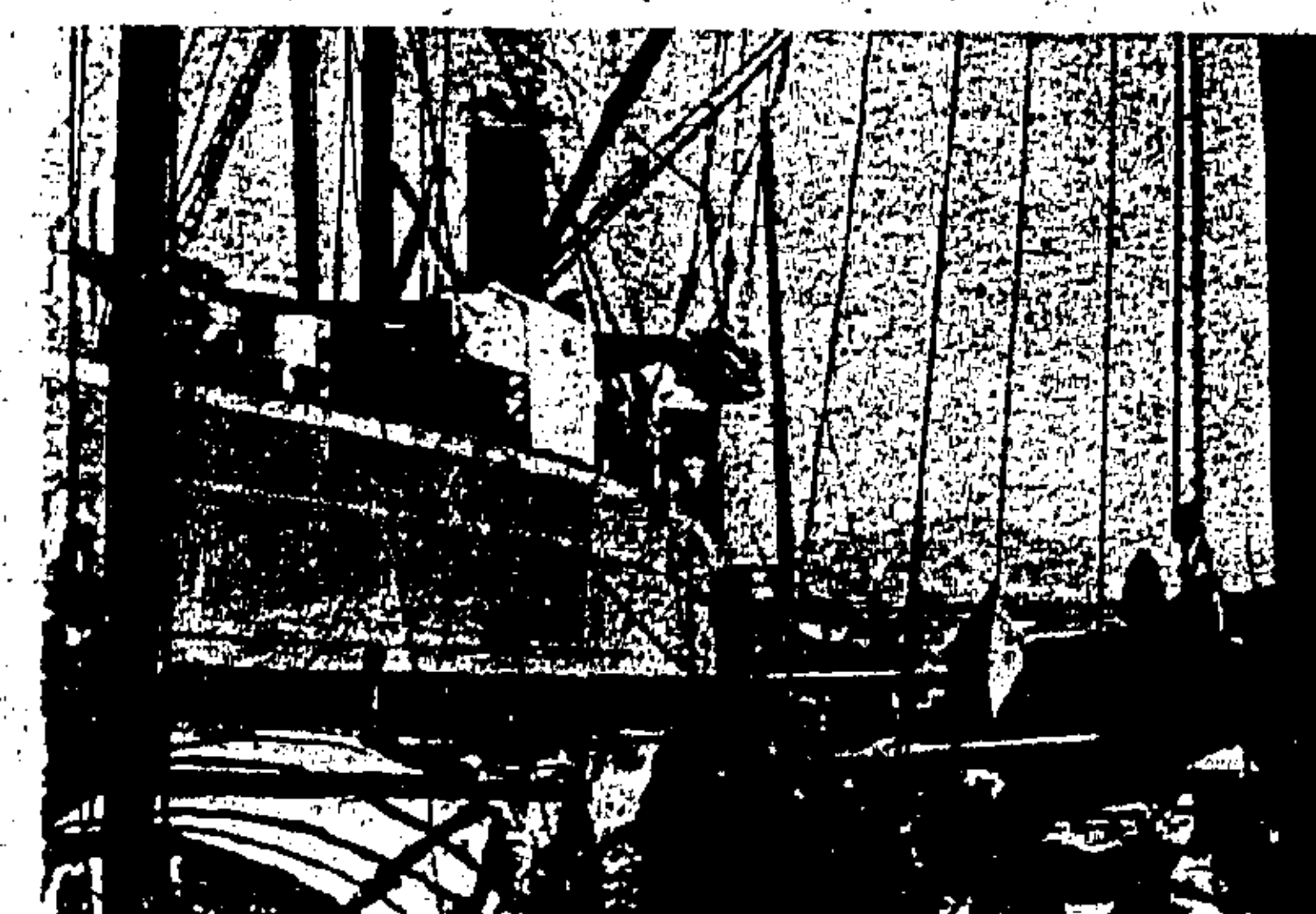
Chungking, Nov. 22.

The authorities are pushing air raid precautions in view of the present congestion of population in the city area.

The Municipal authorities have ordered the evacuation of 1,600 families within three days and also the immediate evacuation of all persons without definite duties and employment here. All schools have been instructed to move to the countryside.

The authorities are constructing 400 public dugouts and detonations of rock blasting is audible daily. Fearing interruption of power supply, the authorities are testing hand sirens which have been installed in different parts of the city for use in the event of breaking down of power sirens.—Reuter.

RELIEF FOR CANTON REFUGEES



Picture shows the R. and S. s.s. Wuchang being loaded with foodstuffs and clothing to be taken to refugees in Canton. (Photo, A. A. Kahn).

efforts will be made by the people concerned to obtain permission to ship further clothing and food to Canton as soon as possible.

In the meantime news has been received that although Canton is still deserted (compared with the state of affairs before the Japanese occupation) the majority of those who are still in the city are urgent in need of relief.

Messrs. Wang Kee, the local firm of stevedores, have given 200 tons of coal, and free passage was given by the Douglas Steamship Co.

NO MAIL CARRIED
Contrary to earlier expectations, the Wuchang, will not carry any mail, as the Japanese authorities stipulated that relief supplies alone were to be transported.

GUIDE TO THE NEWS

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DEATH SENTENCE AT SESSIONS

Jury Return Verdict Without Retiring

DEFENCE CALLS NO EVIDENCE

SENTENCE OF DEATH WAS PASSED ON Li Man, alias Li Wai-man, 43-year-old unemployed ship's greaser, by the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell at the Criminal Sessions yesterday, when the jury, without retiring, found the accused guilty of the murder of Pun Shing, 57, seaman, at the Loen Hing Boarding House on September 4.

The Crown alleged that the accused stabbed Pun following an argument over the loss of a job.

Mr. J. Wyatt, Crown Counsel, assisted by Inspector L. R. Whant, prosecuted and Mr. H. Somersat Fitzroy, instructed by Mr. F. X. D'Almada, Jr., appeared for the accused.

The following comprised the jury:—Messrs. Ip Kwal-chung (Foreman), Ma Shum-ku, Joseph Chan, Chan Chi-wing, P. P. Botelho, Wong Ha-king, and H. U. Ireland.

No evidence was called by the defence, but counsel submitted that accused's confession could not be accepted as it was mostly false. Counsel suggested insanity as a possibility at the time of the crime.

Dr. Dean A. Smith yesterday testified that he examined deceased on September 4 at the Queen Mary Hospital and found two wounds on the right forearm and a perforated wound in the abdomen. Death was due to gangrene of the intestines caused by the stab wound in the abdomen.

OPIMUM SMOKING
Mr. Fitzroy cross-examined witness with regard to opium smokers, and asked Dr. Smith whether he (Continued on Page 9)

THE DOLLAR

T.T. ON LONDON: 1s. 2 1/2/32d.

T.T. ON NEW YORK: 29.

London Silver Market

(Our Own Correspondent).

London silver prices to-day were down 1/16 for Forward and unchanged for Spot as follows:—

	Nov. 21	Nov. 22
Spot	20-1/16	20-1/16
Forward	19-5/8	19-9/16

CHINESE RESISTANCE UNWEAKENED

British Ambassador States His Opinion

In an interview granted to the Press at Government House yesterday morning, a few hours before he left for Shanghai on board the Conte Verde, His Excellency Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr, British Ambassador to China, stated as his opinion that Chinese resistance in the war against Japan shows no signs of weakening.

Sir Archibald, who had just returned from a trip in the interior of China, confirmed reports that he had met and conversed with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek three times during his journey. Madame Chiang had been with her husband each time, and they were both well and confident.

His Excellency, despite his hard trip, looked well and fit. Some of the roads he covered were rough and their "engineering daring" surprised him. It had taken him six days to make the 800 miles between Kunming and Hunan by car, whence he had gone on, also by car, to Chungking. From there the last stage of his journey to Hongkong by plane took only five hours.

PREPARATIONS FOR RESISTANCE
Chungking, Nov. 22.
Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is confident and optimistic as regards the military situation, a foreign correspondent declared to-day after a fortnight's stay at the Generalissimo's headquarters somewhere in Hunan province.

In a tour of 3,000 miles through the western provinces of China, the correspondent saw no sign of early cessation of hostilities but preparations everywhere for prolonged resistance.

The Chinese have completed their concentration of troops and supplies for the next major battle in the Hunan hills, wherein Hengchow will become the key point, it being ideal for a big base.

Military observers expect the actual battle to take place between Hengchow and Peking. Meanwhile, it was reported that Japanese forces were converging on Changsha, capital of Hunan, in three columns.—International.

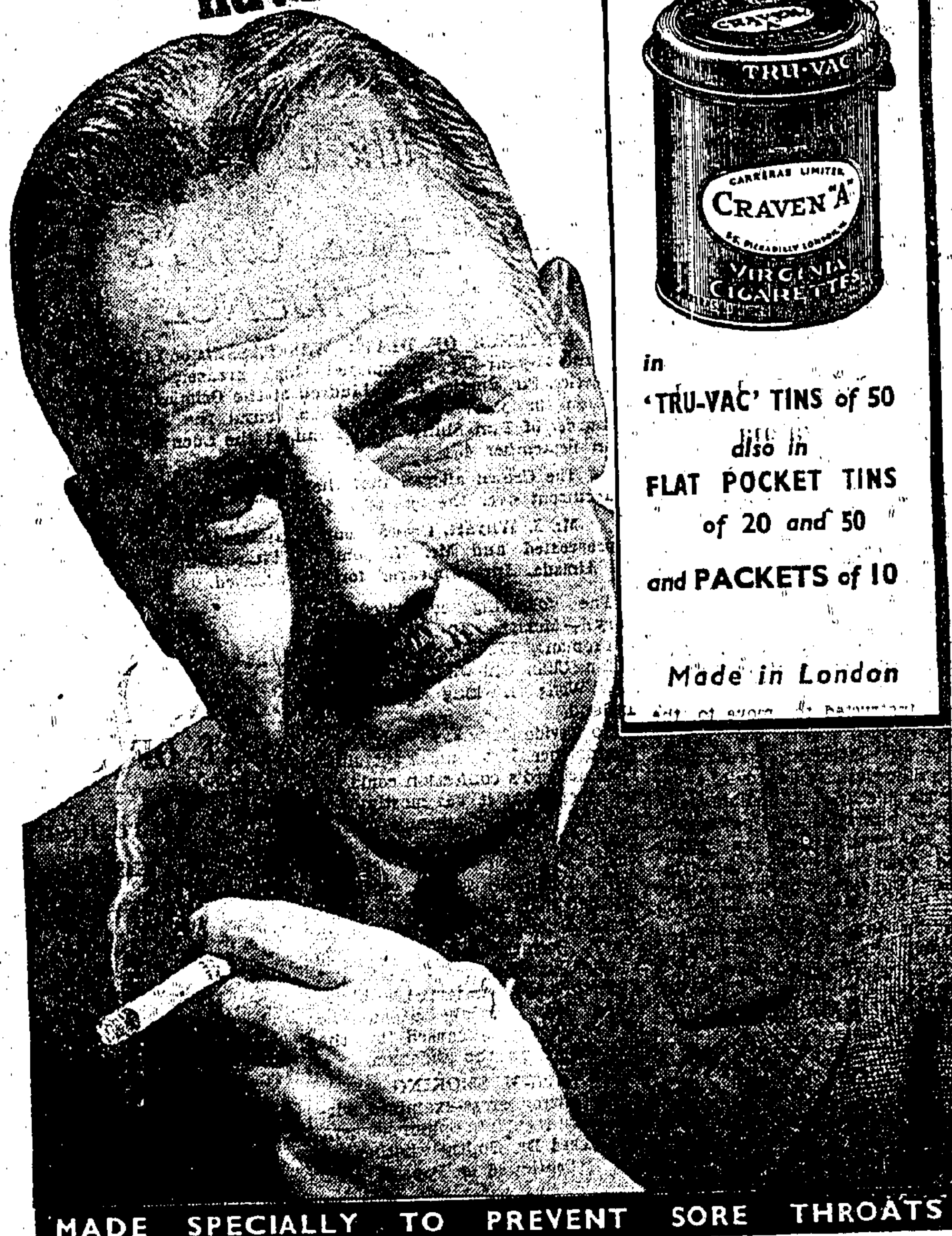
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SACRED HEART SCHOOL HOLD PRIZE-GIVING

Headmistress Reports On Modified Curriculum

LADY NORTHCOTE OFFICIATES

That the curriculum of the school had been modified in many ways and a very successful year was experienced, was commented upon by the Headmistress's report when the Sacred Heart School (formerly Italian Convent) held its annual prize-giving yesterday.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, and Lady Northcote, accompanied by Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith, A.D.C. and Mr. C. G. Solis, Director of Education, were amongst the large gathering present.

Lady Northcote distributed the prizes.

The Headmistress's report, which was read by the Rev. Fr. G. Byrne, was, in part, as follows:—

This year we reached a maximum enrolment of 655. Many candidates knocking at the door had to be refused. Hongkong's larger schools are faced with this problem; and it is a difficult problem.

Mr. Ralston, in the annual inspection of the School, expressed his satisfaction in words which do not fail to encourage both the Staff and the pupils. "The School is well run indeed."

Our results in the public examinations were good: 10 pupils passed the Hongkong Matriculation Examination, and 25 pupils passed the Local School Certificate Examination, obtaining 3 honours besides the full percentage of passes.

AT UNIVERSITIES

The majority of our girls who have matriculated continue their studies: 18 of them are now at the Hongkong University, 7 at the Lingnam and 2 at the Aurora in Shanghai, while a good number of our graduates are efficient teachers in the Colony or abroad.

The health of the pupils is cared for by an excellent medical attendance, which, together with the airy buildings, ensures the physical welfare of the young people entrusted to us. We are very thankful to Dr. Balean for his regular visits to the school, eye-inspection, and care of necessities pupils.

The curriculum of the School has been modified in many ways: first of all, the teaching of Chinese is extended from Class 9 to the upper classes. Science is now taught on a more experimental and practical basis, which renders the subject appealing even to young minds, and interest will be further aroused by the films which will be shown henceforth.

STENOGRAPHY

The students of the upper classes, though absorbed in preparing for the School Certificate and Matriculation Examinations, have the opportunity of getting a knowledge of Stenography, which will be of use especially to those who are anxious to take up office work after School.

We now have an efficient course of Physical Education under the supervision of Miss Swift, to whom we are particularly grateful. The girls have welcomed it as another source of pleasure besides basketball.

Another of the improvements is the extension of singing from the lower classes to the whole school, in view of its educational value and of the pleasure it affords. Our School an old Convent school, still stress the necessity of needlework and Domestic Science as indispensable subjects in the education of girls. Good reading too is encouraged. Each class has its own library of useful and interesting books and these are increased in number every year.

WORK FOR CHARITY

A charitable initiative was taken up for the support of a poor family in Hongkong, and the sum of \$240 has been collected for this purpose. In the field of War Relief Work our girls have played their part

well. Ever since September 1937, they have joined forces with the Wah Yan College Relief Association, contributing \$1811.33.

The School, on the other hand, owes much to Mrs. Kwan, the excellent chairman of the Ladies' Working Committee, for the kind assistance given to our girls in encouraging and supervising their work.

Our aim in education is to produce worthy girls with a social mentality based on the soundest principles of right and wrong.

Many of our past pupils are being trained as nurses at the Queen Mary Hospital.

We wish now to express our sincere thanks to His Excellency, the Governor, to Lady Northcote, who has kindly consented to give away the prizes, to all the other distinguished guests here present, and to all those who directly or indirectly have given support to the School.

FATHER BYRNE'S SPEECH

Father Byrne said:— Looking back on the twelve years of residence which I have just completed in the Colony, I find that reading reports—with the inevitable little speech thrown in—at Girls' Schools' Academic functions, has been quite a major item in my engagement book: I do not find Boys' Schools obtruding themselves.

Perhaps the reason may be that the ladies, with that fine sense of intuitive psychology proper to their sex, have sensed me out to be a "Feminist." And I am: not only for the general reason given by Chesterton in Orthodoxy: "Every man is womanised, merely by being born. They talk of the masculine woman; but every man is a feminised man;" but also for the reason that woman has always been and, without some radical upsetting of our order, is likely to remain the most influential of educators.

Every normal man values a good home; he hopes, by matrimony, to secure it. But it is the woman who makes the home, founded on the two ideas "heart" and "hearth" so linked that we cannot warm ourselves in one without the glow of the other. Do not think that this is a matter of slight consequence. It is at the root of sound preparation for life, which education claims to be, and life is wider than business; hearts are more easily depressed than the stock exchange, and they rise again with less elasticity.

The official name for the function to which we have been invited to-day ladies and gentlemen, is "The prize-giving day." Frankly I don't like the name. It is too eloquent of curricula, and one must be quite a stranger to the school world if he ignores that amongst the fiercest of school battles are the battles of examination curricula.

It remains for me only to thank on behalf of all, His Excellency, the Governor, for kindly setting aside some hours of a very busy programme, to encourage the School efforts; Lady Northcote, for her interest expressed in her readiness to distribute the prizes and all the ladies and gentlemen

whose approval has encouraged the young artists.

Lastly, on behalf of the parents, to thank the teachers, one and all, that have helped to make their children what we see them to be; and to thank the children for making us, the grown-ups, happy again with some of childhood's happiness, because the children are what they are.

PRIZE WINNERS

The honour of having her name inscribed on the School Shield for integrity and self-reliance has been awarded to Martha Lee.

Lady Ho Tung's Scholarship for good conduct and application:— Angela Wong (Senior); Joan Lin (Junior).

Lugard Scholarship for the year 1938:— Molly O'Young.

MATRICULATION CERTIFICATE AND PRIZE

Nellie Shroff (Distinction in English); Martha Lee, Angela Wong.

MATRICULATION CERTIFICATE

Ruby Chak, Anna Chau, Irene Chen, Anna Lee, Flora Li, Magdalen Tiu, Helen Wopg.

HONGKONG SCHOOL CERTIFICATE

Catharine Lee (Honours), Jenny Kwok (Honours), Victoria Arlas (Honours).

PASS CERTIFICATES

Christina Botelho, Daisy Chan, Ellen Chan, Rosalind Cheng, Nihar Deb, Aurora Go, Pansy Ho, Nancy Kwok, Katie Lam, Margaret Lau, Margaret Lee, Alice Leung, Doris Lim, Joan Lin, Ada Manson, Doreen Manson, Hazel O'Sullivan, Beatrice Rodrigues, Alice Santos, Teresa Soong, Cestra Tsang, Rosie Yu.

CLASS 3

First Prize: Mabel Lai; second, Molly O'Young; third, Matilda Yu.

CLASS 4 A AND B

First Prize: Constance Ho and Nora Poon; second, Geraldine Lo; third, Rosaline Lam and Anna Shin.

CLASS 5 A AND B

First Prize: Angelina Chung and Patricia Ho; second, Maggie Chiu and Philomena Liu; third, Louisa Yau and Phyllis Medina.

CLASS 6 A, B AND C

First Prize: Nancy Chue, Susie Ho and Helena Ng; second, Natalia Chue, Teresa Leong and Ida Tsang; third, Julia Wong, Ruth Ma and Joan Fu.

CLASS 7 A AND B

First Prize: Colleen Cheung and Mimmy Yung; second, Shirley Wong and Rose Jong; third, Rosie Cheng and Mary Yung.

CLASS 8 A AND B

First Prize: Martha Lo and Matilda Pang; second, Helen Li and Phyllis Tang; third, Daphne Long and May Chan.

CLASS 9

First Prize: Winnie Yu; second, Therese Stewart; third, Louisa Ho.

CLASS 10 A

First Prize: Herry Loo; second, Lina Kung (absent); third, Rosalind Yu.

CLASS 10 B

First Prize: Jean Wong; second, Margie Cheng; third, Teresa Tavares.

MUSIC CERTIFICATES

Higher Local:—Honours, Irene Chen; Merit, Beatrice Go. Senior:—Honours, Catalina Guerrero, Jane Porter, and Felicidad Jacinto.

Intermediate:—Honours, Julia Leong and Anna Wong.

Junior:—Honours, Katie Chow, Martha Lo, Thavi Vangtal.

Advanced preparatory: Honours, Wattana Vangtal.

Preparatory: Honours, Rosie Ting.

First Steps:—Honours, Luba Bessidish, Reika Wolff and Manuela Nunes.

NO CANE STROKES FOR BURGLAR

In a report appearing in these columns yesterday, it was stated that a burglar was sentenced to four months' hard labour and eight strokes of the cane for burglary by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest. This was incorrect. The man was sent to jail for four months for burglary and given another eight months for returning from banishment. The penalty for burglary does not include caning.

JAPANESE PLANE SHOT DOWN

Wuchow, Nov. 22. One of 19 Japanese planes which raided Kwelin yesterday was brought down and two others were hit and slightly damaged by Chinese anti-aircraft guns. Szewul, northwest of Samshui in Kwangtung, was also attacked. Central News.

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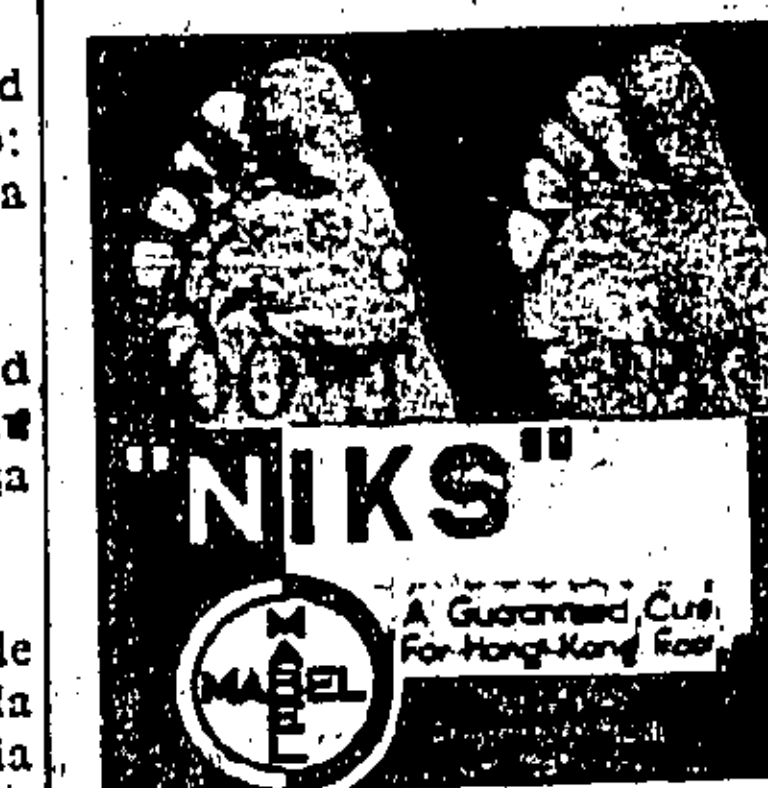


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STREET SLEEPER WOUNDED

Appearing before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday on a charge of wounding and inflicting grievous bodily harm on Mak Chuen on November 4, an unlicensed hawk, Pun Ching, was fined \$100 with the alternative of six weeks' hard labour.

Detective-Inspector L. R. Whant prosecuted.

Both the complainant and defendant were street sleepers. It was stated that on the night of November 4 Pun approached Mak Chuen on November 4, an unlicensed hawk, Pun Ching, was fined \$100 with the alternative of six weeks' hard labour.

An argument arose and during the course of which it was said that complainant smacked defendant once on the face. Pun, in return, gave a blow on Mak's chest and it was alleged that Pun had a knife in his hand when he struck Mak.

TRAFFIC CASES AT CENTRAL

R. J. Maitland, residing at No. 5, Dina House, was fined \$5 by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Court yesterday when he pleaded guilty to driving a car in a closed road, Morrison Street, on November 9.

Pleading guilty through a letter, Li Sumons, R. A. was fined \$5 for driving without a valid driver's licence on Island Road.

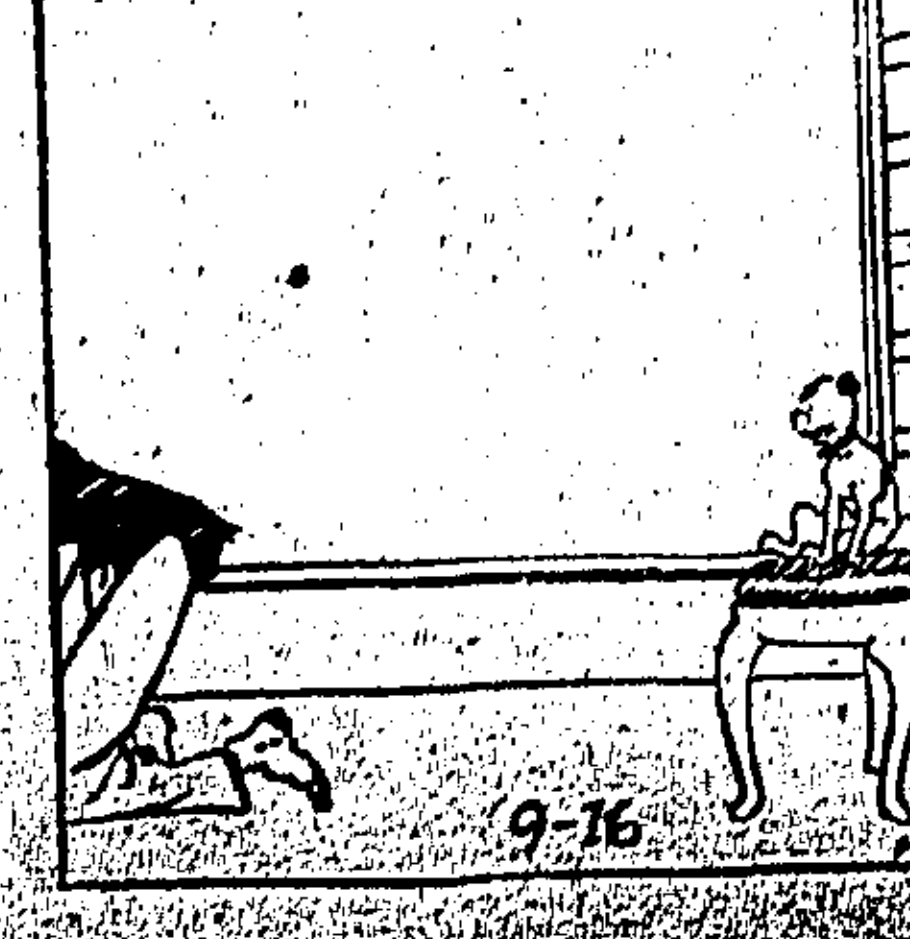
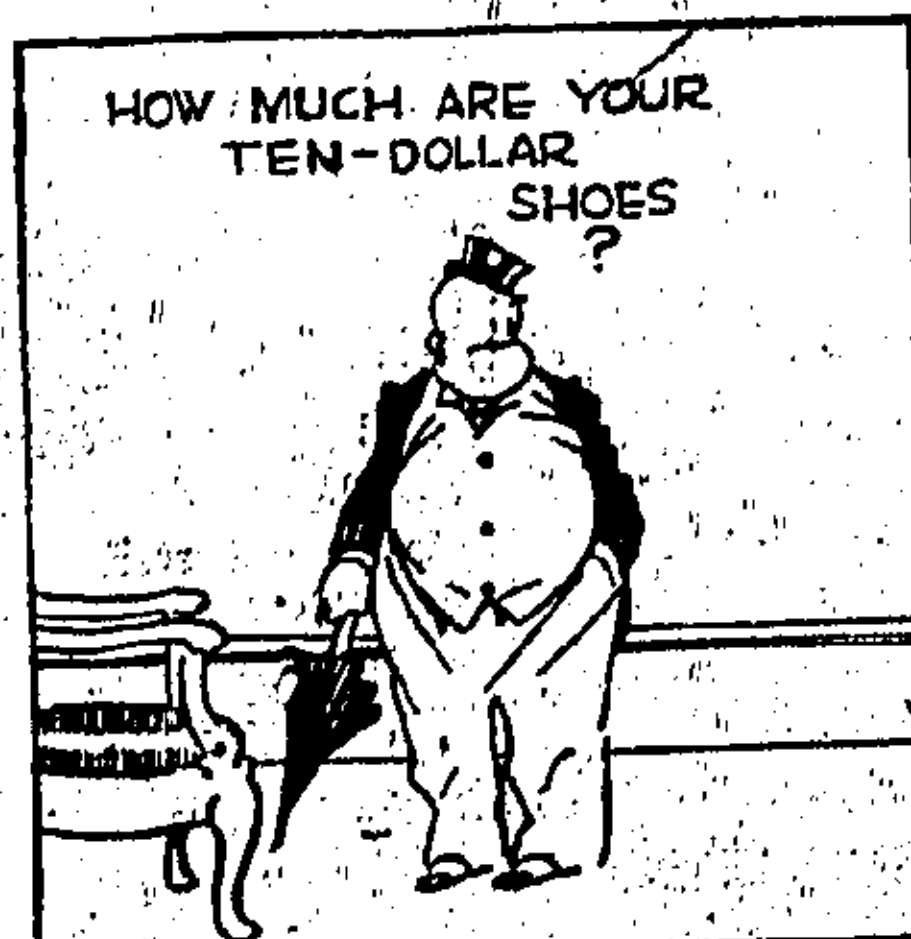
A caution was administered against C. Lauritzen, of the Draxon Motor Company, when he admitted a summons for allowing a trade licence plate to be used by another person.

Pleading guilty by letter to a charge of having driven his car along Hankow Road on October 15 without headlights, W. A. Cash, of Imperial Airways, was fined \$5 by Mr. R. A. D. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Court yesterday.

THE WEATHER

With a maximum temperature of 73 degrees, and a minimum of 62, yesterday's weather was slightly cooler, and this is expected to continue, according to the forecast. No rain has fallen for the past 10 and another fine day is anticipated to-day.

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LORD CHESTERFIELD'S RECIPE FOR LIVING

Professor Simpson Talks To H.K. Rotary Club

One of the most interesting and amusing talks heard at Hong Kong Rotary Club, during for some time, was that given by Professor R. K. M. Simpson, Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Professor of English at the University of Hong Kong, at the Hong Kong Hotel yesterday, on some aspects of the life of Philip Dormer Stanhope, fourth Earl of Chesterfield.

There was a fair attendance of members and guests, which was presided over by the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan. Visiting Rotarians welcomed were Messrs. T. F. Waters (Wuhu), W. O. Nides (Hornsey), T. C. Yu (Tientsin), A. Hoffmeister (Canton), H. M. Van der Schalk (Canton), G. G. Bradford (Shanghai) and Gordon King (Tsinan). Guests were Messrs. J. W. Waterman (San Francisco), J. R. G. Whyatt, I. N. Murray, R. A. D. Forrest, P. E. Annis, Robert Suez, Kal Suez, and U. Sze-wing (Hong Kong).

Rotarian Gordon King, who is the President of the Tsinan Rotary Club, carried greetings from his club to Hong Kong and presented a flag to the local body. He remarked that the Tsinan club was not a large one, and though at one time they had had 35 members, the trouble last year had resulted in this number being halved. Their chief claim to fame this year, he mentioned, was the winning of the long-distance Trophy at the San Francisco Convention.

Rotarians Mackintosh, Amps and Ducloux were welcomed back to the Colony after their absence on leave.

PROF. SIMPSON'S SPEECH

Prof. Simpson said in part:—The letters, written in hundreds by Philip Dormer Stanhope, Fourth Earl of Chesterfield, to his only and well-beloved, although illegitimate son, Philip Stanhope, were first published, against the wishes of legitimate members of his family, within a year of the Earl's death in 1774. The publisher paid £1,500. They run into three editions in a year, and have been a standard work ever since.

Dr. Johnson mauled them on their first appearance. With one terrific pounce he declared, "They teach the morals of a loose woman, and the manners of a dancing master." But later on he said "Take out the immorality, and they should be put in the hands of every young gentleman."

For two and a half centuries they have proved a regular gold mine of witty and conclusive quotation for generations of professional writers and occasional orators. Even exemplary parents, trying to maintain a familiar but helpful correspondence with distant sons, have turned to them for inspiration. This is because they are models of cultivated epistolary style, and because the writer was beyond all doubt, a great humanist.

GREAT HUMANIST

Chesterfield wrote the letters because he was a humanist himself, and wished his son to have a humanist education. He did not believe that this could be acquired in schools and universities. He thought that the universities of those days were illiberal places, producing only bores and pedants. He believed that humanism was to be attained by travel, so he sent his son to the Continent; by mixing much in society, feminine as well as masculine, so he sent him introductions, with instructions how to behave; and by regular reading.

The dutiful son was expected to apply himself to a range of useful knowledge, far too wide for me to indicate here. But he was expected to do still more. He was expected to acquire, what the Earl calls The Graces. This old-fashioned ideal, obliterated by the mechanism and violence of modern life, was Chesterfield's notion of the final aim in education; and the ultimate secret of success in life.

By The Graces was meant attractive manners, pleasing qualities, personal charm. Chesterfield knew as well as you and I, how seldom these are found in combination with encyclopaedic knowledge. But he never hesitated to assert the possibility of the combination. All accomplishments, he writes, will "lose half their effect, if unaccompanied by the Graces."

The young man's brain must be cultivated; but not to the neglect of the other sides of his life. His clothes, his enunciation, his fingernails, his manner of using his handkerchief, his dancing and his handwriting, are all dealt with in detail, essential to the graces; as it is by manners more than by ability, that men achieve their ambitions.

LAUGHTER ILLIBERAL

It is also essential to the Graces, and part of the art of pleasing, according to this fashionable eighteenth century toleman, that

laughter should be avoided. "I could heartily wish that you may often be seen to smile, but never heard to laugh while you live. In my mind, there is nothing so illiberal, and so ill-bred, as audible laughter." It occasions "a disagreeable noise and shocking distortion of the face." And then, the proud boast, "I am sure that since I have had the full use of my reason, nobody has ever heard me laugh."

That jovial enbonpoint too, which is so often genially associated with hearty laughter, must be equally avoided. He felt that fat was a handicap in the great competition to please.

For final graduation in the Graces, two studies are particularly recommended. The youth is urged to cultivate the society of continental ladies, who will polish him; and he must acquire the craft of dissimulation. In recommending a mere boy to cultivate feminine society, as it then was in fashionable European cities, the father knew that he was treading on dangerous ground. Such society meant gallantry, intrigues, and often duelling. But for the sake of the final polish, the risks must be faced. He begins with a caution, "As for running after women, the consequences of that vice are only the loss of one's nose, the total destruction of health, and, not infrequently, the being run through the body."

But under proper tutelage, it ceases to be a vice; and in learning how to please women, one learns how to please everybody. "Pleasing and governing women may, in time, be of great service to you. They often please and govern others." So we have a series of famous dicta. Whether they are true or not, is beyond masculine arbitration to decide. "A man who thinks of living in the great world, must be gallant, polite and attentive, to please the women." And as to the method, "Women who are either indisputably beautiful, or indisputably ugly, are best flattered upon the score of their understanding; but those who are in a state of mediocrity are best flattered upon their beauty, or at least their Graces."

ART OF DISSIMULATION

If this is usually considered by the best judges to throw an unpleasant light on Chesterfield, his counsels on dissimulation are reckoned even worse. They come so near the recommendation of general deceitfulness, that he has to begin with a sermon against lying. Truth is "not only your duty, but your interest." "The greatest fools are the greatest liars. I judge every man's truth by his degree of understanding" but "People know very little of the world, and talk nonsense, when they talk of plainness and solidity unadorned."

Skill in human relations demands that a man, or at least a man hoping to become a diplomat, should have "dexterity enough to conceal the truth without telling a lie." "Have a real reserve with almost everybody; and have a seeming reserve with almost nobody; for it is very disagreeable to seem reserved, and very dangerous not to be so."

It is impossible to read Chesterfield's letters without feeling curious as to whether his own life was led in accordance with the advice he gave his son. This is a hard question to ask of any parent. Chesterfield can bear the scrutiny as well as most. In application to duty, in mastery of the things that can be acquired by study, and in the cultivation of the Graces, he was everything that he desired his son to be. But in using those accomplishments as a means of rising in his career, he was far from being a success. He had said "To make my way in court, I would neither wilfully, nor by negligence, give a dog or a cat reason to dislike me." His advice was "Keep your temper and artfully warm other peoples." From

INCREASE IN DISEASE

Colony's Weekly Health Figures

An increase in the number of cases reported of most notifiable diseases, a persistently high dysentery total and the appearance of the second case of small-pox since the last subsidence of the disease are features of the official health.

Reported were: Cholera, 8 cases, 11 deaths; small-pox, 1 case (imported); diphtheria, 9 cases, 6 deaths; enteric fever, 14 cases, 6 deaths; measles, 5 cases, 1 death; chicken-pox, 2 cases, 2 deaths; cerebro-spinal meningitis, 6 cases, 1 death; dysentery, 33 cases, 13 deaths; 94 deaths of tuberculosis.

During the 24 hours ended midnight Monday, seven cases of dysentery, five cases of diphtheria and one case each of cholera, enteric fever and cerebro-spinal meningitis were reported.

JUDGE'S WARNING

Gerald Stapley, 50, an agent, said to have a distinguished Army record, who pleaded guilty at the last Sessions to obtaining credit while an undischarged bankrupt, was bound over for three years at the Old Bailey.

The Common Sergeant, Mr. Cecil Whiteley, K.C., said to him: "If any complaint is made about your conduct, financially or otherwise, you will be brought here and you will get 12 months. You behaved disgracefully for a man of your intelligence and standing."

Beginning from November 17, opium is now sold in public in the Japanese occupied areas in West Shanghai by the puppet officials. It has been agreed with the "Reformed Government" that all profits thus obtained will be distributed among them. At present 22 opium depots have been established, ten of which belong to the "Reformed Government" and the rest are under the management of the puppet municipality.

these and similar watch-words we might expect that his career was that of a slimy lickspittle crawling to eminence by getting the better of everybody who was honest enough to trust him. Did he become a minister of the crown by making himself a doormat?

To answer this it would be necessary to launch forth on an account of his interesting political career. This is neither the time nor the occasion for such a lecture. No one who reads the volumes through can think them the writing of a disappointed cynic. They are consistently genial, liberal and humanist. "Gentleness, affability, complaisance and good humour" are the great social virtues which he sincerely commends and regularly displays.

Finally he has an epigram which might have served in the coat of arms of Rotarianism. "Whenever you meet a man eminent in any way, feed him, and feed upon him at the same time." You have fed me, and I have tried to enable you to feed on Chesterfield. (Applause and laughter).

Mr. P. S. Cassidy, called upon by the President, thanked the speaker.



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NEWS ABOUT THE SERVICES

ROYAL NAVY MEDITERRANEAN FLEET FOR MALTA

A number of ships of the Mediterranean Fleet which have been at Alexandria since the emergency have left for Malta.

They will include the battleships Barham and Malaya, the aircraft-carrier Glorious with her attendant destroyer Wishart, the cruisers Devonshire, Arethusa, and Penelope, and the Grenville and destroyers of the 1st Flotilla. The destroyer depot-ship Woolwich and the submarine Shark have preceded them.

AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE

An extension of the new air mechanic branch for duties connected with aircraft armament and electrical work is announced in Admiralty Fleet Orders.

Two further specialized sections known as (O) and (L) will be formed to undertake appropriate work not requiring the attention of skilled artificers. This will make a total of four semi-skilled sections for air mechanics, the others being (A), for the maintenance of airframes, and (E), for engines.

Men for all these sections will be drawn from seamen and stokers, who will be given conversion courses at R.A.F. establishments, lasting about 10 months for airframes and engines, seven months for ordnance work, and one year for electrical work.

These ratings can rise in vacancies to chief petty officer air mechanic, but cannot transfer to the skilled artificer branch, entry into which will eventually be from those who pass the artificer apprentice examination in the same manner as boys wishing to become engine-room artificers.

H.M.S. LIVERPOOL

The new cruiser Liverpool, Captain A. D. Read, has arrived at Chatham from the Govan shipyard of the Fairfield Company, on completion. No date is yet announced for her departure for the East Indies Station, on which she will take the place of the Emerald.

SQUADRON GUNNERY OFFICER

Commander J. N. Sparks, hitherto executive officer at Chatham gunnery school, is appointed to H.M.S.

Barham for duty as squadron gunnery officer, 1st Battle Squadron, in succession to Commander H. du P. Richardson.

AUSTRALIAN SQUADRON

The Canberra and Voyager, the former flying the flag of Rear-Admiral W. N. Custance, C.B., Commanding the Australian Squadron, have arrived at Melbourne. They left for Sydney, arriving on November 12 after a call of two days at Frankston. The escort vessel Yarra, which is at Hobart, will leave on November 25 for Sydney, arriving on November 28. Her sister-ship the Swan is on her way to Sydney via Port Darwin and Northern Australia, and arriving on November 24.

2ND BATTLE SQUADRON

The Admiralty announce that the following appointments have been approved:—

Rear-Admiral Lancelot E. Holland to be Rear-Admiral 2nd Battle Squadron, in succession to Rear-Admiral Lucilian D. I. MacKinnon, C.B., C.V.O., to date January 10, 1939.

Captain Harold M. Burroughs, R.N., to be Assistant Chief of Naval Staff, to date January 10, 1939. Captain Burroughs is to be appointed to the President additional for duty inside Admiralty, to date December 26.

The 2nd Battle Squadron forms part of the Home Fleet, and the flag of the rear-admiral is at present flown in the Royal Oak. Rear-Admiral Holland was gunnery officer of this ship in the Grand Fleet, 1918-19.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments are made by the Admiralty:—

Instr. Lt.-Cdr.—E. I. Spinks, to Berwick (undated).

Lt.—J. Wilkinson, to Pembroke (Nov. 14).

Cd. Gumer (Retd.)—Brook, to Drake (Nov. 4).

Cd. Sig. Bosn.—A. L. Beckett, to Drake for Sig. School (Nov. 11).

Senior Master.—L. C. Sibbom, to Berwick (undated).

PROMOTION

Wt. Elect.—A. S. Sarais, to rank of Cd. Elect. (seny. Oct. 1).

RETIREMENTS

Surgn. Cdr.—W. J. Morris, M.B.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

NEW AUXILIARY SQUADRON

A new unit has been added to the Auxiliary Air Force, known as No. 616 (South Yorkshire) (Fighter) Squadron. The first appointment to it, dated November 1, is that of Pilot Officer G. E. Moberly, (West Riding) (Bomber) Squadron. This raises the strength of the Auxiliary Air Force to 20 squadrons, an increase of seven since the start of the expansion schemes in 1935. Eleven are bomber squadrons, six consist of fighters, and three are for Army co-operation. In addition there are the balloon barrage squadrons formed during the present year.

WEARING OF PLAIN CLOTHES

The wearing of plain clothes by other ranks off duty is considerably extended by a new Air Ministry order.

Plain clothes may be worn by warrant officers, non-commissioned officers, and men when not on duty with the following exceptions:—Aircraft apprentices, boy entrants, and recruits; while under training as such; airmen below the rank of sergeant when visiting one of H.M. ships; and airmen below the rank of sergeant within the limits of a naval, military, or Air Force station, unless attending as spectators or taking part in games, or in their married quarters, or proceeding between barracks and the station limits on leaving or entering that station while on leave or pass.

It is within the discretionary power of C.O.s to withdraw the privilege should it be considered necessary, either generally or in individual cases.

In overseas commands, air officers commanding are to consider the orders in force in their commands with a view to issuing such amendments in the light of the new order as may be necessary or desirable.

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Lt.—J. Bunce, placed on the Retd. List (Nov. 11).

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DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TU-DAY
Anniversaries and Holidays—Accession, Queen of the Netherlands, 1893; Slight Snow (Hsiao-hsuen).
Cinemas—(See Column 1 of this Page).
Dances—Cheong Club Dance, 8.30 p.m.; Hongkong Reel Club Annual Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 9 p.m.
Mail—(See Page 16).
Meetings—Hongkong Sunday School Assn. in Kowloon Union Church or Hall, 5.45 p.m.; House Committee Mtg. at S. & S. Home, 5.30 p.m.; Kowloon Union Church Women's Guild, 10 a.m.
Miscellaneous—Air Raid "Precautionary Period" from 10 p.m.; Sports Club Committee and Members entertain H.E. The Governor at lunch, 1 p.m.
Moon—X Moon, 2nd Day.
Rehearsals—"Riddigore", Hongkong Philharmonic Society, at China Fleet Club Theatre, 5.30 p.m.
Social—Whist Drive and Tombola in Garrison Sergeant's Mess, Queen's Road, 9 p.m.; Ladies' Church, 9 p.m.

Church Aid Society Birthday Supper, S. & S. Home, 7.30 p.m.; Public Works Recreation Club Tombola, at Causeway Bay, 8 p.m.
Sports—(See Page 10).
Sunrise—4.40 a.m. Sunset—5.38 p.m.
Tides—High at 11.09 and 21.40. Low at 04.15 and 15.10.
TO-MORROW
Moon—X Moon, 3rd Day.
Sunrise—4.40 a.m. Sunset—5.38 p.m.
Tides—High at 10.25 and 21.14. Low at 03.39 and 14.38.

LEGACY FOR SOLICITOR
Mr. Arthur Davenport Holland, of Upholland, Willaston, Wirral, and Tithebarn-street, Liverpool, cotton broker, partner in Wolstenholme and Holland, deputy chairman of the State Assurance Co. and a director of the Liverpool Cotton Bank and the Liverpool and London Plate Glass Insurance Co., left £94,521 (n.p. £72,763).

Today's Screenings

Hongkong

KING'S:
"Richman, Poor Girl"
QUEEN'S:
"Women Are Like That"
ORIENTAL:
"Stolen Heaven"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:
"Prison Farm"
STAR:
"Only Yesterday"
MAJESTIC:
"My Dear Miss Aldrich"

Coming

KING'S:
"Tarzan's Revenge"
QUEEN'S:
"The Amazing Dr. Clitterhouse"
ORIENTAL:
"The Emperor's Candlesticks"
ALHAMBRA:
"Beloved Brat"
"The Amazing Dr. Clitterhouse"
STAR:
"Dinner At The Ritz"
MAJESTIC:
"Laurel And Hardy Comedy Programme"

MY DEAR MISS ALDRICH

If there is any serious doubt as to woman's ability in competition with man, there is amusing argument for the fair sex in the new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film, "My Dear Miss Aldrich," which opened at the Majestic Theatre yesterday.
This is the story of a school teacher who inherits a newspaper. The managing editor is one of those males who refuses to believe that women are fitted for work beyond the home. He won't even hire a girl reporter. The new owner not only changes his views, but makes him love her.
Maureen O'Sullivan, plays the owner, with Walter Pidgeon, the Broadway star, as the managing editor.

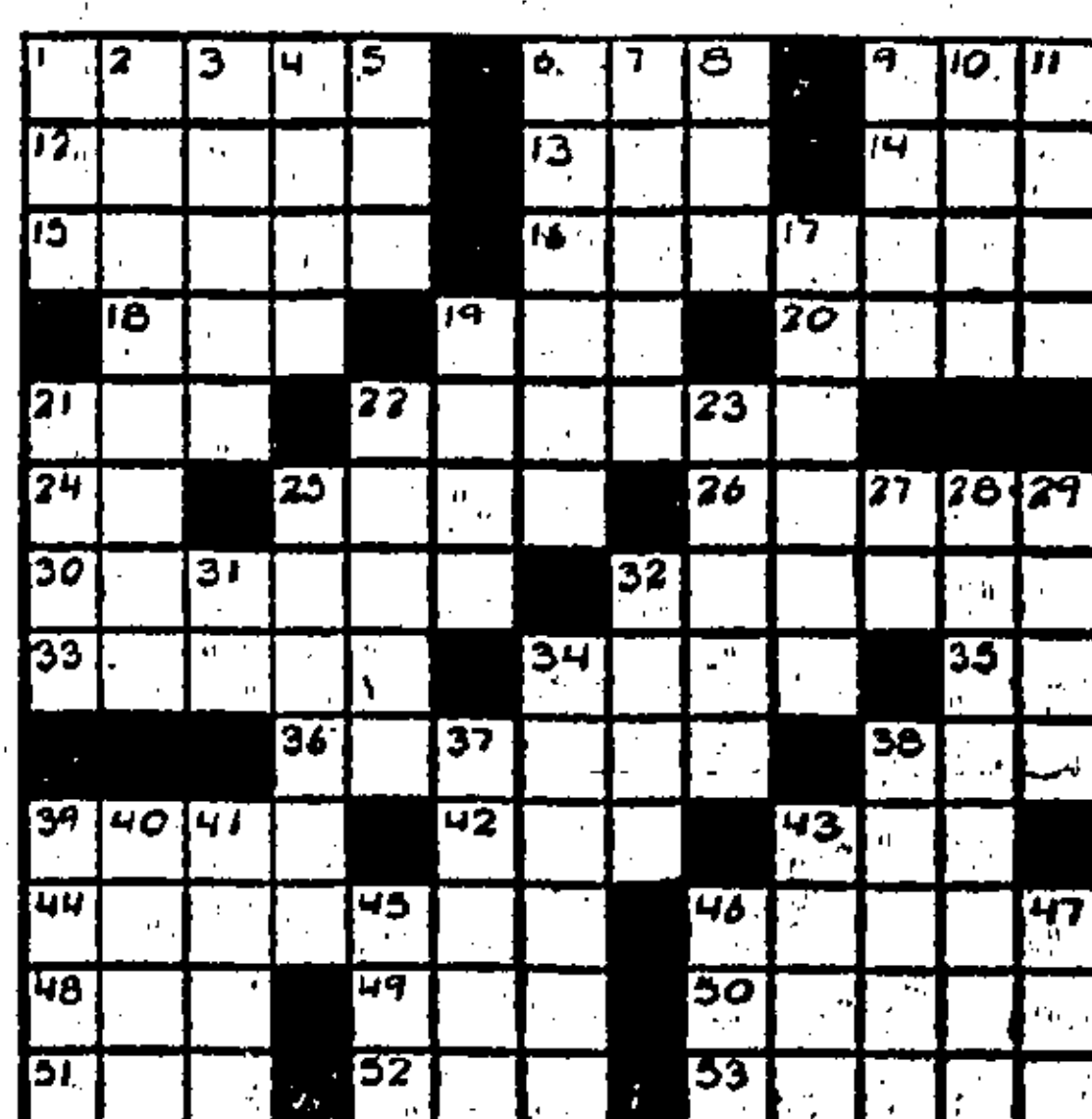
TRIBUTE TO BROTHER

Requests by Surgeon-Commander Shirley Hall Shirley-Birt, of Oakwood, Crawley, who died at the age of 72, leaving £102,029 (n.p. £94,188), included:
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19 Row
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22 Useless plants
23 Build
25 Slumbers
27 By
28 Convent
29 In this place
31 Like
32 Saucy
34 Plunges
37 Fruit of the pine (pl.)
38 Dish
39 Flap
40 Smooth
41 Continent
42 Irish Gaelic
45 Note in Gull's scale
46 Dance step
47 Bitter vetch

SOLUTION TO-MORROW

SOUTH AFRICA IS MOBILISED TO A MAN

The solidarity of the Empire was demonstrated in South Africa on the day the British Fleet was mobilised during the crisis.

The commander of the naval station at Simonstown on the eastern coast sent out telegrams and broadcast messages calling in the reservists of the Navy and of the Royal Marines.

The response was remarkable. The number of men who arrived at the Simonstown depot was in excess of all expectations.

REMAIN NEUTRAL

This was despite the fact that General Hertzog, in the name of the Government of the Union of South Africa, had informed the British Government only the day before that the Union intended to remain neutral if a European war broke out.

That decision was communicated to the authorities in London by Mr. Te Water, High Commissioner of the Union.

The representatives of foreign Powers in Capetown were also informed by General Hertzog of his decision.

Next Man In!



Funny way to board a plane, isn't it? It's easier if the machine lands first. But when this picture was taken the aeroplane had been in the air for 5 days, 18 hours and 10 minutes—and was still keeping on.

American airmen Clyde Schlieper and Harley Long were making a bid to beat the endurance record of 27 days, 5 hours 33 minutes continuous flying, held by the brothers Al and Fred Keys, of New Orleans.

So, when it was the turn of a new pilot to take over the controls from Schlieper he climbed to the cockpit by means of a rope ladder lowered from the plane to a moving motor car.

By their five-day flight the airmen had already easily broken the record for a light plane.

BLOOD TESTS AND PATERNITY

Expert On 150,000 To One Chance

The efficiency of blood tests in deciding paternity was discussed at Middlesex Sessions recently when Dr. J. Thomas, serologist at the Metropolitan Police Laboratory, Hendon, who has made a special study of blood group tests, gave evidence.

Mr. Frank Milton, appearing for Miss Marie Louise Morrison, 28, of Nelson-road, Hornsey, N., who appealed against the dismissal of an application for a paternity order at Highgate on June 15, said that a decision on the fallibility or infallibility of blood tests had not yet been given.

"There has been a good deal of controversy as to its efficiency," he said, "and the sooner its value is thrashed out by a superior court the better."

Sidney Baron, manager, of Dunsmore-road, Stamford Hill, N., denied that he was the father of a male child born to Miss Morrison in February.

Evidence had been given at the police court that a blood test showed that Baron belonged to group "M," while the mother and baby were both group "M."

20,000 TESTS THIS YEAR

Dr. Thomas said that Baron could not be the father of Miss Morrison's child. The odds against it were 150,000 to one.

Replying to Mr. Milton, Dr. Thomas said that blood tests were now in this country. Even with considerable experience and care false results might unwittingly be obtained, as there was always the possibility of an error being made in getting the groups right.

So far as he knew, there were only four other doctors besides himself who had made an intensive study of the tests. During this year he had taken 1,000 blood group tests, involving 20,000 individual tests.

Cross-examined by Mr. Milton, Baron admitted intimacy on two occasions before February, 1937.

An application asking that blood tests should be taken by another doctor was refused, and the appeal was dismissed.

CO-STARRING TEAM

A new co-starring team makes its screen debut at the Queen's Theatre to-day in a new comedy called "Women Are Like That."

Curiously, although they have been at the same studio for several years, the lovely, dark Kay Francis and the genial, rapid-talking Irishman, Pat O'Brien, have never worked in a picture together.

"Women Are Like That" is a comedy revolving around the colourful and exciting advertising business. In the cast are such notables as Ralph Forbes, Merville Cooper, Thurston Hall, Grant Mitchell and Herbert Rawlinson.

A WRONG UN

Herr Hitler may be a "water-colourist of great delicacy and an architectural designer of merit" (vide the German art review quoted), but he certainly hasn't taken an adult course in natural history. If he had he might have chosen a better example than the hedgehog, of which he said recently—

The hedgehog has never attacked another animal, but if he is threatened—

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Next time Herr Hitler is in the country he should have a talk with a gamekeeper. He will then discover that the hedgehog, apart from its notorious liking for eggs, also attacks game-chicks and snakes.

ON EXAMINATION WE FIND
Come to think of it, however, if we examine that list we find that apart from the snakes there is nothing in the least likely to threaten the hedgehog. So there's a point in the comparison with Germany after all—but not the one Herr Hitler meant.

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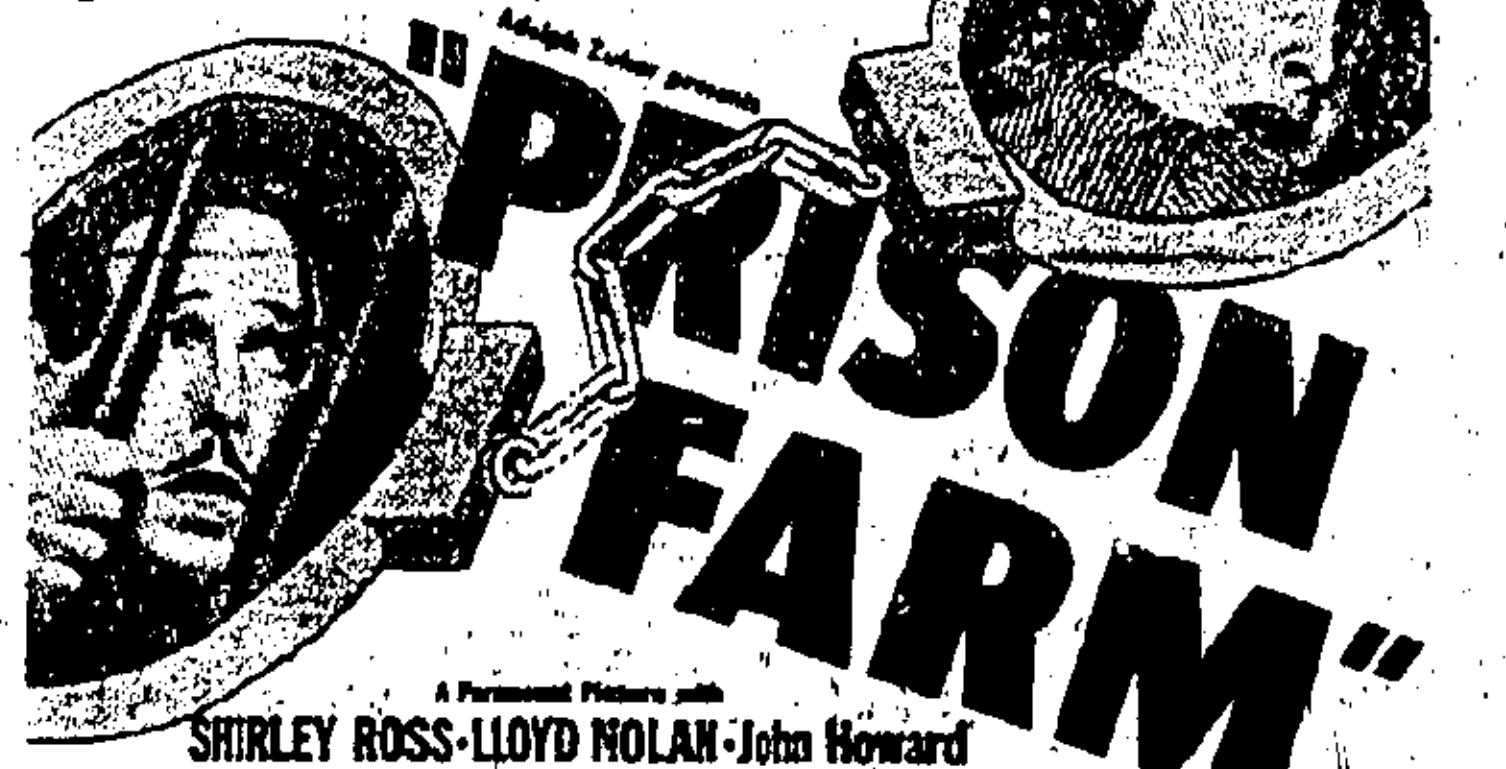
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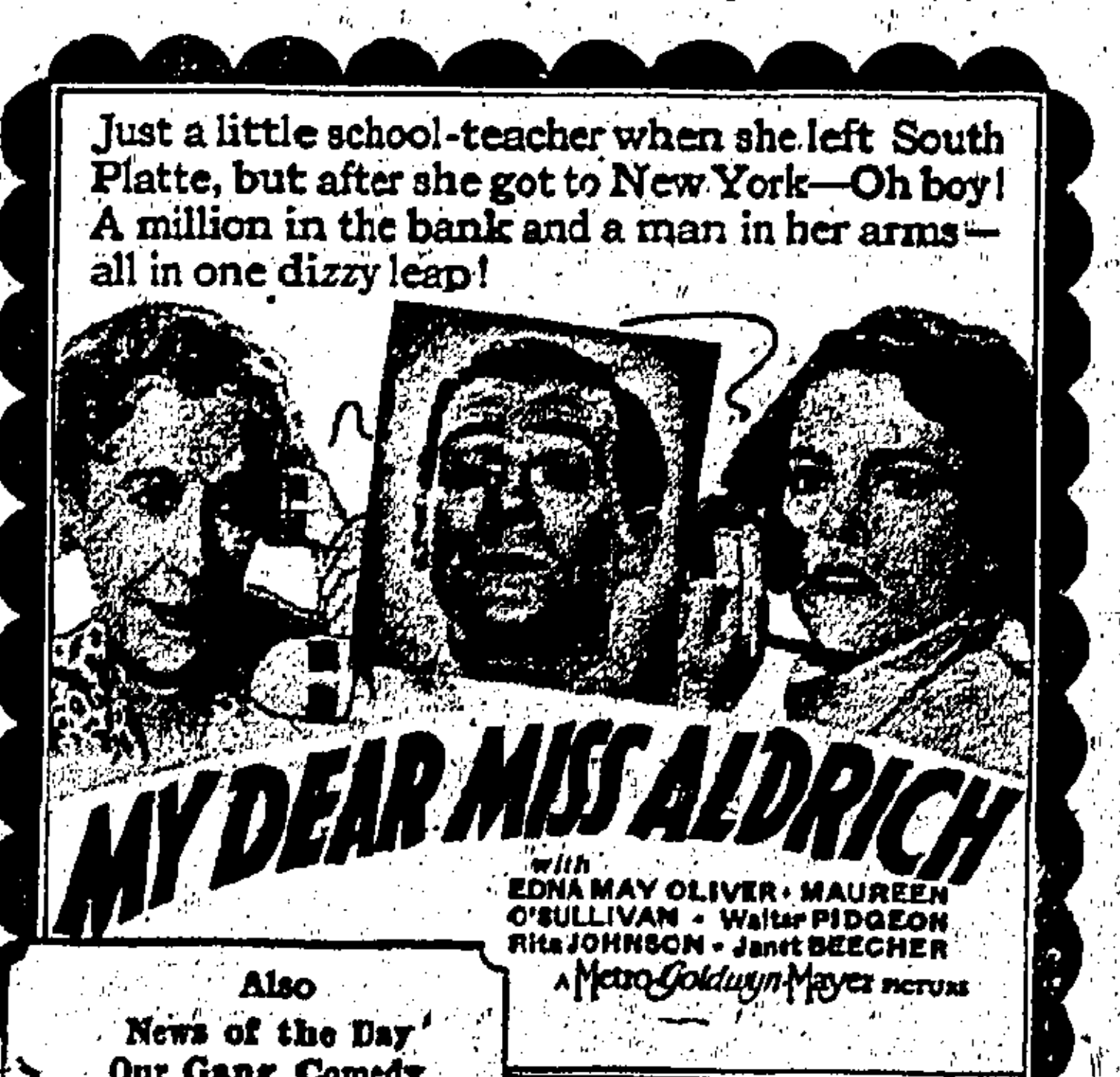
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CHRISTMAS BOYCOTT OF JAPAN

London, Nov. 22.

A boycott of Japanese goods by Christmas shoppers is urged by the South Wales Miners' Federation in its monthly bulletin, which says:

"People who buy cheap Japanese toys and novelties are helping to purchase raw materials by Japan for war on China. Only because of the dreadful wages paid to the Japanese workers can models of bombing aeroplanes and bombs, significant of Japanese actions, be sold for a penny or two. Only because people buy these things can real bombs be dropped from real aeroplanes on cities in China."—Reuter.

King Carol To See Hitler

ROYAL MOVEMENTS IN EUROPE

Berlin, Nov. 22.

It is learned from reliable sources that King Carol of Rumania will be received by Chancellor Hitler at his chalet at Obersalzberg to-day or tomorrow.

Official confirmation of this report is not yet forthcoming, but it is stated that King Carol, accompanied by Crown Prince Michael, left Paris last night for Germany, where he will spend a few days with his cousin at Sigmaringen. Sigmaringen lies about 300 kilometres from Berchtesgaden—Transocean.

PRINCE PAUL IN LONDON

London, Nov. 22.

Prince Paul, Regent of Yugoslavia, and his wife arrived in London on a private visit yesterday. They are staying at Buckingham Palace as guests of the King and Queen.—British Wireless.

KING LEOPOLD IN AMSTERDAM

Amsterdam, Nov. 22.

King Leopold III of Belgium arrived here yesterday afternoon for a State visit.

Leaving the train, he was greeted by Queen Wilhelmina and Prince Bernhard, the company afterwards driving through gaily decorated streets to the palace where King Leopold will reside during his visit. A huge crowd lining the entire route to the palace accorded the Royal visitor a rousing welcome.—Transocean.

LONDON TALKS RESULT

London, Nov. 22.

The Prime Minister declared in the House of Commons yesterday that the conversations with King Carol, and the Rumanian Ministers for Foreign Affairs, and members of His Majesty's Government were naturally of a confidential nature, and he could make no detailed statement.

However, he assured the House that the conversations were of a frank and friendly character, and covered matters of common concern to the two governments in the political and economic field.—Reuter.

FAMOUS PIANIST DEAD

New York, Nov. 22.

Leopold Godowsky, famous Russian pianist and composer, died here yesterday.—Reuter.

Italian Priest Subjected To Third Degree

ACCUSED OF BRIBING CHINESE
TO FIRE BUILDINGS, SUFFERS
HARSH TREATMENT BY JAPANESE

Hankow, November 22.

It is reliably reported that an Italian Franciscan priest, Father Pio Belli, who has been 33 years in China, was arrested by the Japanese on November 16, allegedly for bribing Chinese to destroy buildings in the Chinese city, where fires recently raged.

Father Belli, who was working in the refugee zone near the Han River, was taken into custody owing to the accusation of an unknown Chinese that the priest was paying him sums ranging from \$5 to \$15 to set fire to various houses.

On the same night, five Japanese soldiers (believed to be officers) subjected Father Belli to third degree, urging him to sign a confession, which the priest emphatically refused to do, denying the accusation, and disclaiming all knowledge of his accuser.

On November 17, the priest was again interrogated with his hands tied behind his back.

The Italian Vice-Consul sent a representation to the Japanese authorities requesting that Father Belli be permitted to return to his residence, and subsequent intervention by responsible Japanese military authorities resulted in his release on November 17.

He is at present in hospital recovering from his experiences, while the Italian Consul is protesting to the Japanese authorities.—Reuter.

POGROM ROUNDLY DENOUNCED IN PARLIAMENT

Attacks Formed Part Of Organised Plan TASK BEFORE EVIAN REFUGEE COMMITTEE

London, November 22.

An outspoken attack on the anti-Jewish policy of the German Government was made by Mr. Noel Baker (Lab.) in the House of Commons yesterday, when moving a resolution noting with concern the deplorable treatment of certain racial, religious and political minorities in Europe, and requesting an immediate and concerted effort among the nations, including the United States, to secure a common policy to deal with the refugees.

He declared that all the attacks national one," declared Sir Samuel Hoare. "Whilst we are perfectly prepared to take a full share of solving or mitigating the problem, it is a problem for all the 32 countries at present members of the Evian Committee."

MOTION ACCEPTED

Replying to the debate, Sir Samuel Hoare announced that the Government accepted Mr. Noel Baker's motion. He was opposed to open interference in the affairs of other Powers, but the anti-Jewish measures in Germany forced them on the attention of other countries.

"However deep our sympathies, this problem must be an inter-

CHINESE ENVOY APPEALS FOR WAR VICTIMS

London, Nov. 22.

In view of the visit of Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax to Paris, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the Chinese Ambassador saw Lord Halifax during the week-end, and apart from political matters, drew attention to the pitiful plight of war victims in China.

While the sufferings of German Jews had justly excited world sympathy, the Ambassador was constrained to point out that over 100,000,000 Chinese were in far more desperate straits, which seemed to go comparatively unnoticed.

Mr. Quo Tai-chi told Reuter that Viscount Halifax had received the representations with the utmost sympathy, and the Ambassador said he believed that an attempt would be made to organise a scheme for Chinese relief by international co-operation.—Reuter.

QUEEN MAUD'S REMAINS

LEAVE FOR NORWAY TO-DAY

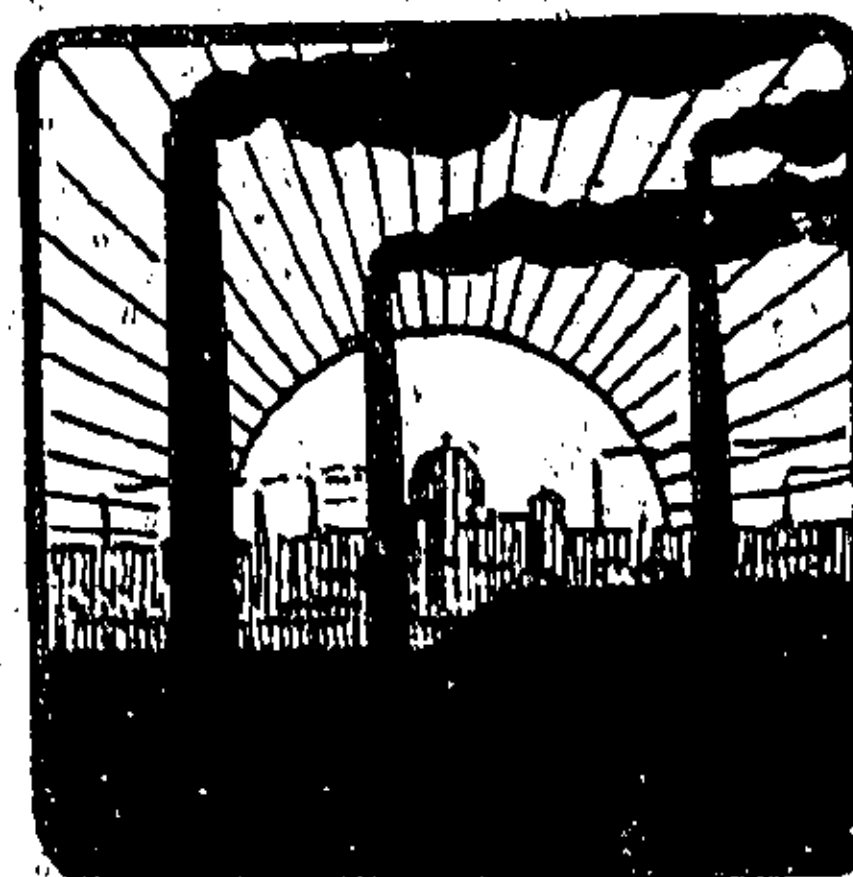
London, Nov. 22.

The remains of Queen Maud will be conveyed to Norway in H.M.S. Royal Oak, which will leave Portsmouth to-morrow, escorted by the destroyers, Fane, Brilliant, Bulldog and Kelt.

A motion of sympathy with the King and King Haakon of Norway on the death of Queen Maud, proposed by the Prime Minister and supported by the two Opposition leaders, was passed unanimously by the House of Commons yesterday.—British Wireless.

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NOTHING KNOWN OF MYSTERY VISIT

London, Nov. 22.

Official quarters in London know nothing of the purpose of the visit of Major-General Bodenschatz, who returned to Germany yesterday after a short stay at the German Embassy here, and regarding which various reports have appeared in messages from Berlin and elsewhere.—British Wireless.

NO GUARANTEE OF ASSISTANCE

London, Nov. 22.

The Prime Minister replied, "No sir," when he was asked in the House of Commons yesterday whether any pledge or guarantee, written or implied, had been given by the Dominions and Colonies that they would come to the assistance of Britain in case of attack upon the United Kingdom by any country.—Reuter.

TSAI TING-KAI WOUNDED

Shanghai, Nov. 22.

General Tsal Ting-kai, famous commander of the former 19th Route Army which distinguished itself in Shanghai in 1932, is reported by the Chinese press to have been wounded during a Chinese attack on the Japanese positions at Fushan.

His condition is stated, however, to be not serious.—Reuter.

RECOVERED

Wuchow, Nov. 22.

General Tsal Ting-kai, former head of the 19th Route Army, is now in command of guerrilla forces in the western and southern districts. He has recovered from a recent bullet wound inflicted by a Japanese warplane.

General Chang Yen, also of the 19th Route Army, is in command of guerrillas in southern districts.—International.

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WOMEN'S PAGE



I CAN'T GET MARRIED TO-DAY

Jim Mollison And Bride

Five minutes before Jim Mollison, airman ex-husband of Amy Johnson, was due to marry wealthy plantation owner Mrs. Phyllis Hussey, on November 9, he telephoned Caxton Hall register office, Westminster, postponing the wedding.

Friends of the couple who had gone to Caxton Hall were mystified by the sudden cancellation.

Mollison spent the afternoon in his flat in Berkeley-street, Mayfair, with the woman who should have been his bride.

DOMESTIC REASONS

Mollison said: "There is nothing unusual about the cancellation of my wedding plans."

"Phyllis and I found that for domestic reasons it was not convenient for us to marry to-day."

Asked when he was going to marry Mrs. Hussey, Mollison smiled and said: "Some time in the future." He would not give a date.

"We cannot understand why the cancellation of our wedding should cause such a fuss," he added.

"The reason is a purely private one, and there is no cause for any rumour or speculation in connection with the postponement."

ELEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING



Photograph taken at the Races held at Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon. (Photo by Leica).

Finger-Tip Beauty

NAILS that clash with the colour of your frock are right out and quite inexcusable. Because there are so many new colours in nail varnish this winter that have been specially created to tone with your new dresses.

Cutex have made "Laurel"—a cyclamen pink—for wear with rose, brown, grey, blue and all the new autumn shades.

"Heather"—a deeper tone with a strong hint of purple—is good to wear with green, the new wine-red shades, pink and yellow. These are just two of the new range of colours.

There's a new invention called "TRIMS" that's going to make it extra easy for you to change your nail varnish for an evening out after the office.

It's a small pad that will remove the polish from ten finger-nails in one minute.

For sixpence you can get twenty-five of these pads packed in a small jar that will go easily into your handbag or pocket.

Windsors' Offer For Estate

Back into the news have swum the Duke and Duchess of Windsor with a story purporting to be "on good authority," and an equally "authoritative" denial that they intended bidding £75,000 for the Iveagh Trust's estate at Ashford Castle, Cong, Connemara.

Recently vacated by the Hon. E. A. Guinness following land and labour disputes, the estate costs a small fortune to maintain. Deaf to appeals that he should remain, as he was "good for the district," departing landlord Guinness remarked that his average weekly wage bill was £250. In vain the tenantry begged the Iveagh Trust to keep the Castle as a family residence.

SEAPLANE BASE

A beautiful 7,000-acre property, the estate includes a private seaplane base, miniature forest and lakes well stocked with salmon.

In the provincial "Cork Examiner," the Windsor-purchase story was a sensation. When an "Irish Independent" reporter inquired at the London headquarters of the Iveagh Trust, he was told: "It is very interesting, but there is no truth in it."

Finally the "Irish Press," Premier de Valera's own daily newspaper, killed the rumour, announcing positively that there had been "no offer from the ex-King for the Galway estate."

BURNS AS CURES OLD HEALING ART REVIVED

Okyu, a medical system which originated in China fourteen centuries ago, and which is based on the idea that nothing will cure rheumatic pains, neuritis, and indigestion as successfully as a series of good burns, administering shocks to the nervous system, has recently experienced a revival in Japan.

It was extremely popular during the Japanese Middle Ages, but fell into disuse after the introduction of Western medicine in the last century.

Now it is more widely practised, and some physicians who have

SMOKING THEM UNDER

Jews taught the Germans to smoke in order to destroy the German nation and to make money—Herr Julius (jew-baiter) Streicher, speaking at Munich.

Well, maybe they did. But if the Jews were also responsible for the quality of the cigarettes and tobacco offered for sale in Germany they didn't offer a very strong temptation.

been trained along Western lines, such as Dr. Chihiro Ikeda, a graduate of the Kyushu Imperial University School of Medicine, have been applying okyu in cases where they believe it will prove beneficial.

Dr. Ikeda, who recently explained his methods of treatment, expressed the hope that okyu would soon be taught scientifically as part of the regular training of every medical student.

POPULAR TREATMENT

At the present time, he said, this old healing art is discredited because ignorant persons are permitted to practise it after a short course in massaging—a very popular form of treatment in Japan, where the damp climate predisposes people to rheumatic ailments.

Dr. Ikeda's method, which is that of the okyu practitioners in general, is to try to locate the source of the ailment and then to ignite leaves of moxa, a Japanese plant, on a number of spots on the patient's body which are nearest this source.

A full treatment consists of seven small burns on each of some twenty spots, so that the purpose of stimulating the nervous system is definitely achieved. The burns are most frequently distributed up and down the spinal cord.

A "twenty-burn treatment" requires about forty-five minutes, and it is proof of Japanese stoicism that many people apply for it.

WEDDINGS AT REGISTRY

At the Registry before the Deputy Registrar of Marriages yesterday, Mr. Alexander John Gast, accountant, residing at 12, Humphreys Buildings, Kowloon, son of the late Mr. William James John Gast, was married to Miss Daphne May Berthel, daughter of Mr. Renee Alexander Berthel, accountant. Witnesses of the ceremony were Mr. W. A. Artlett and Mrs. Daisy Berthel.

Mr. Au Kwok-leung, clerk of the C.S.O., residing at 25, Taiipo Road, second floor, was married to Miss Chau Woon-hing, also of 25 Taiipo Road, first floor. Witnesses were Messrs. Leung Shing-sang and Chan Shing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming weddings are announced:—
Mr. Pi Shen-yu, assistant of the South Western Transportation Company Ltd., residing at 118, Gloucester Road, Hongkong, to Miss Lee Ching-kwong, of the same address.

Mr. Lee Gwok-ying, merchant residing at the Golden Star Mansions, Austin Road, Kowloon, to Miss Irene Thyra Jan Lee, of 21, Hankow Road, first floor.

A.R.P. EXAM RESULTS

The Air Raid Precautions Officer announces that the following ladies have passed the Short Course (E. Memorandum No. 5) examination:—

Credit:—Misses S. M. Swift, K. M. Anderson and M. B. Hall.
Passed:—Misses Diver, Judah and Jean Mitchell.

WEDNESDAY'S MENU

BREAKFAST

Pineapple Juice
Cereal
French Toast
Fried Ham
Maple Syrup
Coffee

LUNCHEON

Vegetable Soup
Peach and Cottage Cheese Salad
Baked Fish
Fried Onions
Scalloped Potatoes
Small Green Peas
Oatmeal Cookies
Tea

DINNER

Tomato Juice Cocktail
Clear Soup
Lamb Stew
Corn Pudding
Spinach
Baked Carrots
Caramel Custard
Coffee

NEWSETTES

Mr. E. Moller Sr. and Mr. R. B. Moller returned to Shanghai yesterday by the Conte Verde.

The S. P. C. A. will be holding a Flag Day on Saturday morning next.

On Saturday evening, the R. E. O. C. A. will hold a dinner dance in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel.

Mr. C. V. Starr, president of American Asiatic Underwriters, Inc. will arrive in the Philippine Clipper to-morrow.

The Wuhan Songsters sailed from Hongkong for the South Asian Peninsula in the s. s. Victoria last week-end.

H.M.S. Medway and the 4th Submarine Flotilla will hold a Dance at the Peninsula Hotel on Wednesday, December 7. Dancing will be from 8.30 p.m. to 1 a.m. The Medway and Flotilla Dance Orchestra will play. Tickets for couples will be available at \$2.50.

ART EXHIBITION ON SATURDAY

WESTERN AND CHINESE

Following the closing of the solo Chinese art exhibition of Miss Ling Po-kuen at St. John's Cathedral Hall recently, the Hongkong Working Artists' Guild will present a combined exhibition of Chinese and Western art at the Cathedral Hall commencing at noon on Friday, November 25. The exhibition will continue on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and on Sunday from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Amongst the exhibitors of Chinese art are Mr. Pan Shiu-yau, principal of the Lai Ching Art College, and his pupils.

In addition, Mr. Chen Tien-shiao an artist passing through the Colony and who intends to visit Manila and Europe in the near future, also participates in the show. Another special feature in the Chinese art section will be the work of two local artists, the late Mr. Hong Chen and the late Mr. Wong Oi-hung, the latter being a pupil of Mr. Ko Kien-fu, one of the leading artists in China to-day.

Amongst the Western art section will be the work of Mrs. C. Champkin, Mrs. A. N. Macraigen, Mr. M. Dunn, Yee Bon, Lee Byng, Yue Sui-hang, Luis Chan, Ng Koo-hung, Miss Pong Ching Han and Mr. S. B. Wong.

Members of the Muslim community will celebrate their festival of Id-ul-Fitr to-morrow, thus marking the close of Ramadan or the fasting month.

A sound film is being shown by the Bayer Pharmaceutical Department of Hongkong of the Xith Olympiad at Berlin in 1936 at the King's Theatre at 11 a.m. on Sunday next.

The Prison Branch (Stanley) of the M.C.L. will hold a Christmas Mahjong, Bridge and Whist Drive at the Prison Officers' Assembly Room on Wednesday, December 7, from 3.15 p.m. Entrance will be \$1.

The many friends of Mr. H. J. Millington will be glad that he is progressing favourably and that he will probably leave hospital in a few days. Mr. Millington contracted malaria while at Camp.

Mr. E. O'Neil Shaw will be giving a gramophone recital and lecture on Debussy at the European Y. M. C. A. at 9 p.m. to-day. The formation of a Gramophone Club will be considered at the meeting.

Dr. Joseph Rock, the noted American naturalist, who has been in Hawaii making a study on behalf of the Yunnan Provincial Government, is due back here to-morrow by Clipper on route to Kunming. Dr. Rock is at present writing a new book on China and Tibet.

The Haiphong branch office of the Chinese Consulate-General in Hanoi has established a reception station in the Customs House at Haiphong for Chinese passing through the city enroute to China's southwest provinces, according to a report in the Hongkong "Sing Tao Jih Pao."

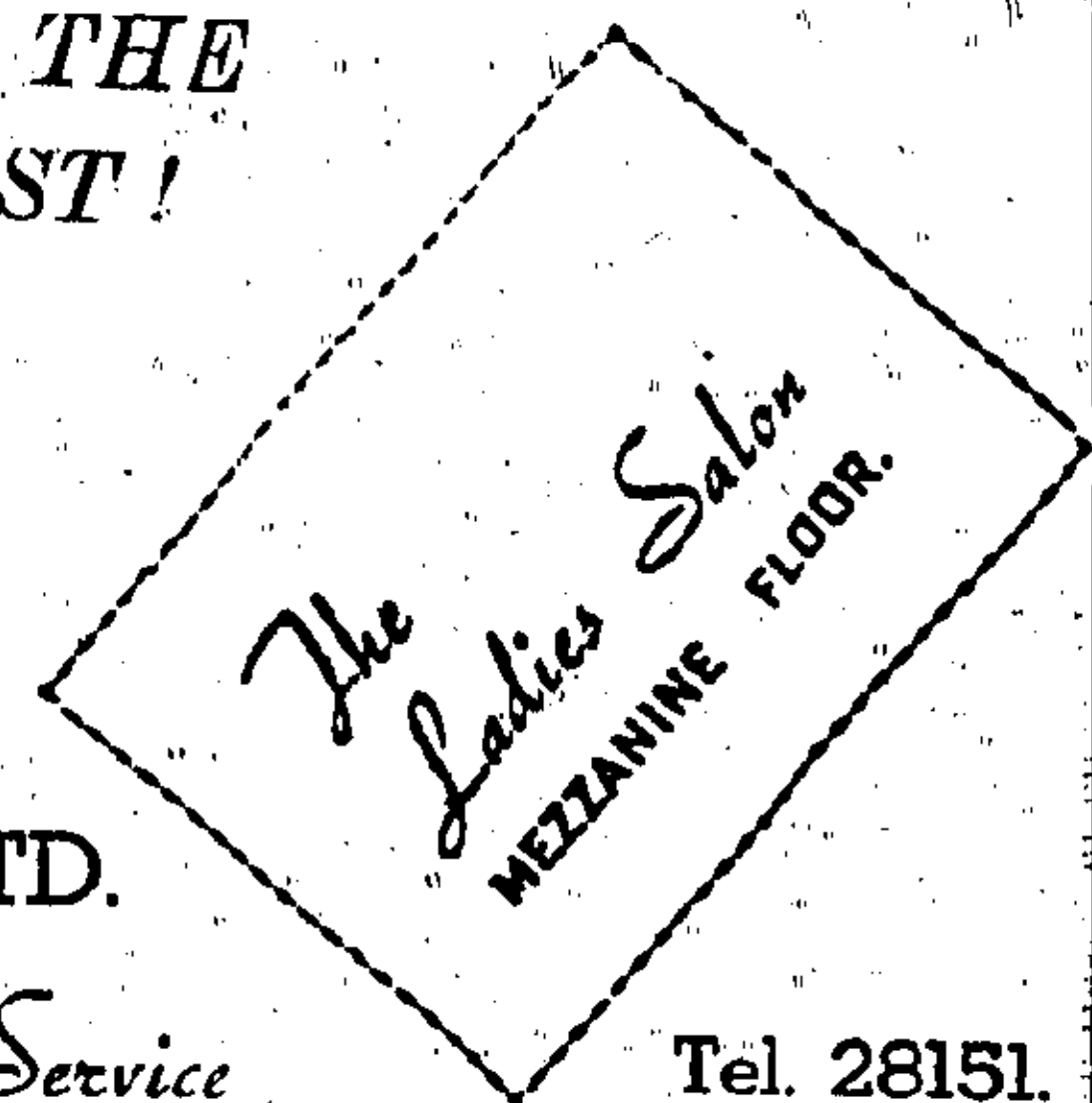
A Kwelin message appearing in the Hongkong "Ta Kung Pao" states that preparations are under way for the establishment of an academy there for training guerrilla officers. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek will be principal of the academy while two guerrilla strategists will be vice-principal and dean respectively.

Gary Cooper, famous film star who recently appeared here in "The Adventures of Marco Polo," is expected to pass through the Colony in January. With him will be Andrea Leeds. They will be on their way to the Philippines, where most of the background for Cooper's new film, "The Last Frontier" will be centred.

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Round About

A gay, slightly befuddled gentleman in dinner clothes sat alone at a table in a restaurant. The table was set for dinner, the menu at his elbow. However, he paid little attention to food or selection. Instead, full attention was concentrated on a letter he was reading, and evidently enjoying from the deep chuckles which he emitted from time to time.

Putting down the letter, he summoned the dining room captain and ordered a gimlet. This order was filled, but he made no attempt to partake of the drink. Again he summoned the boy and this time ordered a scotch and soda which was placed before him, but he did not touch the drink. Quietly, he picked up the letter and commenced to re-read the written words.

An acquaintance passing the table stopped and looked at the man, and in an amused voice asked for the reason of the one place or dinner and the two different drinks?

The man invited his inquisitive friend to sit down, and ordered a drink for his guest.

While the acquaintance was enjoying his cocktail the gentleman explained his predicament. "A lady invited me to have a drink in her honour and specified a gimlet. I do not like it; consequently, I ordered a scotch and soda. I'm sending her the chick."

Closing the subject, he emphatically announced, "Guess I know my own mind!"

MAYOR YANG'S NEW POST

The Canton municipality, which has been moved over to Kwongning, will no longer retain its name. Mayor Cheng Yang-fu has been ordered by the Central authorities to set up a Preservation Committee, taking charge of the municipal treasury and public properties. At the same time, instead of being Mayor of Canton, he has been appointed to the post of Commander of the resisting Unit of the Eighth Region.—(Wah Kiu Yat Po)

AIR MAIL

The Pan American Airways Philippine Clipper has been delayed owing to weather conditions and will not arrive until to-morrow noon.

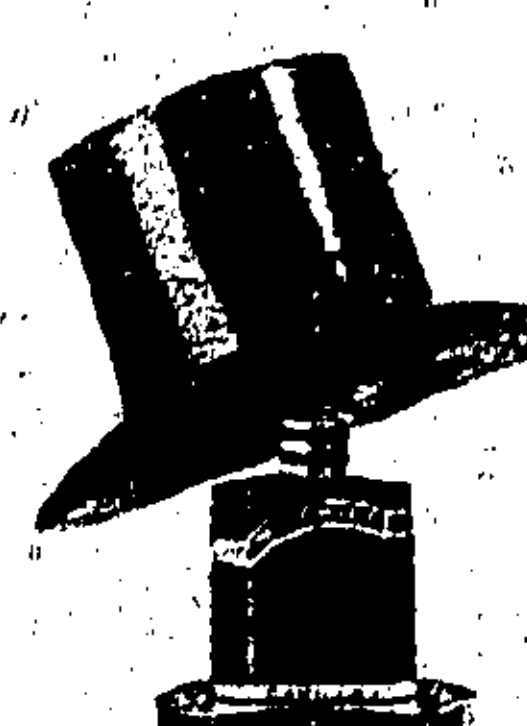
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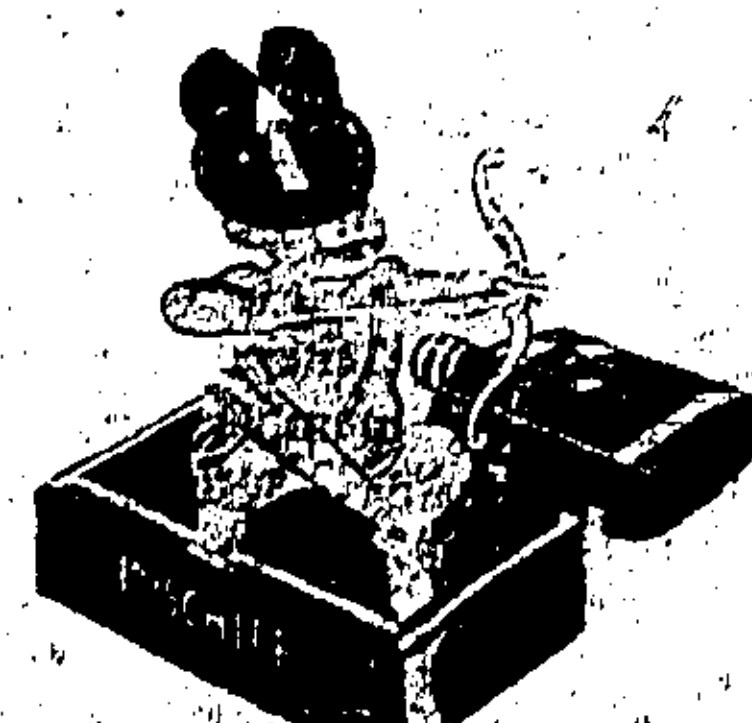


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1	Aberdeen Inland Lot No. 117, between Aberdeen Inland Lots Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.	Between Aberdeen Inland Lots Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.	Approx. 5.00	58	\$740

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE ESTATE of HARRY G. SMITH, late of Chungking, in the Province of Szechuan, in the Republic of China, Air Pilot, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probate Ordinance, 1897 made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 12th day of December, 1938.

All Creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 14th day of November, 1938.

WILKINSON & GRIST,
Solicitors for the Administrator,
No. 2, Queen's Road Central,
Hong Kong.

HELENA MAY INSTITUTE.

The Annual General Meeting of subscribing members will be held on Wednesday, 30th November, 1938, at 10.30 a.m.

BUSINESS.

To submit Balance Sheet and Annual Report for 1937-38.

NOTE.—After the meeting there will be an auction of 1939 Magazines.

Will those who wish to purchase any magazines at a reduced rate, please be present.

IRENE D. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

THE RAUB AUSTRALIAN GOLD-MINING CO., LIMITED.

(Incorporated in Queensland).

Notice of Declaration of Third Interim Dividend.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Third Interim Dividend of five pence per share for the financial year ending 31st March, 1939, has been declared by the Directors of the Company in Brisbane, payable on 15th December, 1938, to Shareholders on the Registers at Brisbane and Singapore, on 14th December, 1938.

NOTICE is also hereby given that the Singapore Transfer Registers will be closed from Thursday, 8th December, to Wednesday, 14th December, 1938, both days inclusive, for the preparation of Dividend Warrants.

By Order of the Board,

DERRICK & CO.,
Chartered Accountants,
Local Secretaries.

Hongkong Bank Chambers,
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FIRMER ACTION ADVOCATED

OF CONSIDERABLE INTEREST are the questions in the House of Commons with reference to the Japanese invasion of China and the attitude likely to be adopted by the Powers over the blockading by the Japanese naval forces of the Yangtze and Pearl Rivers, thus effectively preventing foreigners from carrying on business to which they are legally entitled under the treaties.

LONDON REPORTS indicate that Britain and France, following rejection of their protests by the Japanese, will discuss the matter fully when Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, and Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, arrive in Paris to-day to discuss subjects of interest to both countries. And, it is added, there is a possibility of a more effective report being made than mere verbal protestations, to which the Japanese are not disposed to listen.

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE to enumerate with any accuracy the number of protests which have been made to Tokyo by the Powers but it is possible to say that not one in a dozen has met with any satisfaction. The usual Japanese procedure on Japan's part is to question the grounds for the protests, which they know to be entirely true, and then to answer by giving their own versions and weak excuses. The protests are then pigeon-holed and nothing further is heard of them.

SOME OF THE EXCUSES given are not merely lame and without basis of fact but they are futile and, to say the least, ludicrous. What Japan apparently does not realize is LAME that she is dealing EXCUSES with seasoned statesmen and diplomats and the time will come—soon, it is to be hoped—when she will be called upon to face the issues without evasion.

COMING SO SOON after the vigorous American protest against Japan's constant interference with the interests of U.S. citizens in China and against the slamming of the "Open Door," the decision of the Powers to stand up in defence of their legal rights cannot fail to have a very important bearing on the present Far

THE ROYAL SCOTS

History To Be Broadcast

Included in the radio programme to-day is a relay from Daventry, at 8.05 p.m. of one of the "Their Red Line" series which deals with the history of the Royal Scots. In view to the presence of the 2nd Battalion of this Regiment in Hongkong, this should be of more than ordinary interest.

A brief history of the Regiment may be interesting.

It was in 1633 that Louis XIII commissioned Sir John Hepburn, who was then in the French Army, to raise a new regiment. As the foundation of this regiment, Hepburn used the remnants of a body of Scottish Infantry which had been in French service since 1590 and which thus became the first parent corps.

The regiment was brought to full strength by 3,000 recruits from Scotland raised under a Royal Warrant granted by Charles I. and by amalgamation with the famous Green Brigade.

TITLE CHANGED

In 1811 the Prince Regent had the title of the Regiment changed to "The First Regiment of Foot, The Royal Scots." Under the Cardwell Scheme of 1881 the title became "The Royal Scots (The Lothian Regiment)."

During the Great War in addition to two Regular, the Special Reserve and seven Territorial Battalions, no less than eight Service, one Labour and two Garrison Battalions were raised and maintained.

It is impossible to give details regarding the actions fought by individual battalions in the Great War but the fact that the Regiment played a noble part in every theatre of the War is evident by the following list of battle honours borne on the King's Colour:

"Le Cateau," "Marne," "Ypres," "Tos," "Somme," "Arras," "Lvs," "Struma," "Gallipoli" and "Palestine."

SMUGGLING SILVER

Shanghai, Nov. 15. In violation of the ordinance for the nationalization of white silver, a number of merchants are buying large quantities of the metal from the interior to be smuggled out to Hongkong.

As foreign exchange is at present soaring, they intend to profit by it at the expense of their own country.

The Department of Finance has, therefore, especially established a White Silver Smuggling Preventive Service to keep a watch over the perpetrators. Smugglers of white silver will be sentenced to death, or at least seven years' imprisonment. "Takungpao."

Eastern situation—economic and otherwise.

APART FROM THE VEILED THREAT to the French Government in connection with the despatch of supplies to China by way of Indo-China and the constant menacing of the French Concessions in Tientsin and Shanghai, Japan's constant interference with the rights and interests of foreigners is such that it cannot be tolerated much longer. It is the fervent hope of all foreign residents of China that Whitehall will adopt an attitude firmer than has been the case in the past with a view to adjusting all outstanding matters and take stronger action to safeguard the trading interests of her citizens in this part of the world.

INCIDENTALLY, it must be noted that the sapegoats are not the British, American and French alone, but the other Powers, including Tokyo's allies in the Anti-Comintern "Bloc—Germany and Italy. The Germans are angered as a result of the refusal of the Japanese to permit them to trade freely in north China, especially insofar as the fur and wool trades are concerned, and the Italians are indignant over the fact that their citizens are being arrested and disgracefully ill-treated as evidenced by the case involving Father Pio, Bili, a report of which appears in another section of the "Hongkong Daily Press" to-day.

THE SITUATION has become so unbearable that the time has come for daily-dallying to stop and for firmer action.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING TO-MORROW

Supplementary Votes For \$341,722: Transport Of Government Servants Charitable Services

Supplementary votes totalling \$341,722, including \$115,000 for transport of Government servants, about \$73,000 for charitable services, \$11,323 for personal emoluments Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, and \$2,500 for the maintenance of lepers in Hongkong, will be considered by the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council at a meeting to be held to-morrow afternoon in the Council Chamber.

The memoranda explaining the items is, in part as follows:—

ESTIMATES, 1938

District Office, South—Personal Emoluments—\$21,093.

Provision was made in the 1938 Estimates for one Cadet Officer, under this Head, which is now, owing to staff changes, meeting the salaries of three such officers, two of whom are on leave.

Post Office—Electric Fans and Lights—\$300.

The General Post Office is now kept open for public business until 7 p.m., and an increase in the consumption of electric current has been inevitable.

Mail Bags, Parcel Boxes, etc.—\$600.

Owing to increases in the cost of mail bags and to additional bags being required to cope with the increase in air mail correspondence arising from the extension of the "All-Up Scheme" to the Colony, the provision originally made for 1938 is expected to be insufficient by approximately \$600 and a supplementary vote of that amount is accordingly requested.

FIRE BRIGADE

Incidental Expenses—\$200.

The abnormal number of cholera and small-pox patients being transported in the ambulances have caused additional expenditure in the washing of blankets.

Oil and Fuel for Vehicles—\$8,000.

Ambulances have been obliged to run much increased mileage owing to the Cholera and Small-pox epidemic and the vote for this item is now exhausted.

One Austin 20 H.P. Motor Ambulance—\$500.

Owing to the cost including freight of the ambulance being higher than was estimated, the amount provided has proved insufficient by \$500.

SUPREME COURT

Personal Emoluments—\$7,000.

This vote has been called upon to bear unforeseen expenditure in respect of acting pay for the posts of Chief Justice and Puisne Judge and to provide for the salary of a temporary stenographer.

Crown Solicitor—Personal Emoluments—\$1,050.

This application is necessary owing to the fact that the Crown Agents' account in respect of the salary of one of the Assistant Crown Solicitors for December, 1937, was not forwarded in time to debit the 1937 vote.

Official Receiver—Personal Emoluments—\$700.

This vote has been called upon to bear unforeseen expenditure in respect of Crown Agents' expenses incurred in 1937 and of promotions of Junior Clerical Staff subsequent to the framing of the 1938 Estimates.

MAGISTRACY, HONGKONG

Fees for Interpretation, etc.—\$50.

The special jury in the death inquiry into a case of atropine poisoning at Queen Mary Hospital requested the services of an independent medical witness to whom the usual fee of \$100 is being paid.

Magistrate, Kowloon—Electric Fans and Light—\$130.

In order to cope with the congestion of cases the magistrates have had to sit late in the evenings resulting in increased expenditure on electric light and fans.

POLICE FORCE

Rent of Stations and Married Police Quarters—\$4,500.

With the opening of the New Passport Office, Government leased the 5th floor of Chung Tin Building at a monthly rental of \$500 as from April this year.

Small Stores—\$2,600.

Owing to the increase in price of stores purchased locally and through Crown Agents and to exceptional purchases necessitated by emergency conditions, the vote of \$7,000 has proved inadequate.

Subsistence of Prisoners—\$1,600.

Owing to the increase in crime and the consequent increase in the number of persons detained, the vote of \$4,000 provided in Estimates has proved insufficient.

Transport—\$1,500.

Owing to the closing down of Victoria Gaol and Lai-chikok Prison the Prison Department vans no longer cross the harbour and the Police Department have to transport a number of prisoners daily from Kowloon to Hongkong; although this was known when estimates were framed in 1937, the amount required for this purpose was underestimated.

Twenty 303 Rifles and Bayonets—\$300.

Owing to an increase in the cost of these rifles and bayonets the sum originally provided has proved insufficient.

PRISONS DEPARTMENT

Special Expenditure, Sewing Machine—\$1,332.

It is proposed to expand the tailoring industry in the Hongkong Prison to include the making of all uniforms for the Prisons Department Staff.

The cost of ten additional sewing machines required for this purpose is estimated at \$1,332.

Clothing and Shoes for Staff—\$3,700.

Cost of materials for officers' clothing has proved higher than was estimated and there has been an increase of staff since the original 1938 Estimates for this item was submitted. It is estimated that an additional \$3,700 will be needed to meet commitments this year.

Upkeep and running expenses of motor vans—\$700.

With the greater number of vans now being used, increased mileage and with consequent repairs the provision made under this Sub-head in the Estimates has proved inadequate.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

Maintenance of Lunatics at Canton—\$1,600.

In the past accounts for the maintenance of lunatics in Canton have not been rendered promptly and the November account is usually paid in the following year. Owing to the Sino-Japanese hostilities in Canton the administration of the Municipal Insane Asylum Hospital has now been taken over by the Sisters of the Immaculate Conception who are expected to render the November account in time for payment this year.

Up to October 6, 1938, 137 patients had been sent to Canton against 118 for the corresponding period in 1937 and this increase is expected to be even larger as soon as communications between Canton and Hongkong are reopened thereby increasing the cost of maintenance.

Rent of Public Telephones—\$800.

When the estimates for this year were prepared it was not known exactly how many telephones would be required for use in the Queen Mary Hospital and this Sub-head was under-estimated.

Apparatus and Chemicals—\$324.

The D.R.-2 unit in the General Electric refrigerator installed in the Government Laboratory has broken down owing to short circuiting of the motor. This unit cannot be repaired locally and the Agents have offered to supply a new electrical unit at a reduced price of \$324. There are not sufficient funds under this Sub-head to cover the cost of this new unit.

Disinfectors, operating expenses—\$200.

Owing to the epidemics of small-pox and cholera and the high cost of coal as compared with last year, the amount provided in the Estimates and the amount obtained by a supplementary vote under this Sub-head have already proved insufficient to cover the cost of operating the disinfectors.

DEFENCE

Volunteer Defence Corps—Personal Emoluments—\$11,323.

Additional expenditure in personal emoluments has been incurred owing to the appointment of a Commandant at an increased salary, the payment of leave salary to the former Commandant, the appointment of a new Quartermaster and the formation of additional units and the consequent increase in the number of members.

Transport—\$1,500.

STATE FUNERAL OF PANCHEN LAMA

Chungking, Nov. 22.

The thrilling and perilous journey to northern Sikong by Chinese Government representatives attending the state funeral of the Panchen Lama is described in an official report submitted to the National Government by Mr. Tao Chi-lao, President of the Examination Yuan.

The thousand-mile trip took five months during which time the travellers passed over a high mountain range near the Tibetan border. The secretary narrowly escaped death when he fell over a bluff one night and sustained injuries to his side.

The funeral of the Panchen Lama took place at the Lantse Temple. The party returned to Chengtu on September 26.—Reuter.

CHARITABLE SERVICES

Maintenance of Lepers in Hongkong—\$2,500.

Provision made has proved insufficient owing to the abnormal number of lepers maintained, and also to the payment of expenses for the small-pox hospital from January 1, 1938.

Tung Wah Hospital Relief of Chinese Refugees—\$50,000.

The several sums voted by Council for the relief and repatriation of Chinese Refugees through the Tung Wah Hospital organisation have been exhausted and further funds are urgently required to meet expenditure already incurred and to provide funds for the immediate future.

Refugees Camps—\$20,000.

A scheme for the provision of a Camp at Kaim Tin to accommodate refugees from China has already been approved and it is now necessary to vote a sum of money to meet the expenses which are now being incurred. It is expected that the cost of running the Camp for the remainder of 1938 will be not less than \$20,000 a vote for that amount in the first place is requested.

General Chinese Charities Fund—\$1,234.

The Chinese Public Dispensaries Fund, which is one of the benevolent charities included in this vote, has by long-standing custom received contributions from junk and fishing craft collected by the Harbour Department along with licence fees.

The collection of these contributions ceased in September and it is the intention in future that equivalent payments should be made from Government funds and off-set by an increase of 10 per cent. in licence fees collected in respect of boats, junks and steam launches authorized by Regulations published as a Government Notification. It is accordingly proposed to make a grant of \$1,234 to compensate the Dispensaries Fund for the loss of revenue during the current year and a supplementary vote is requested accordingly.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Firewood (all departments)—\$5,000.

Arrangements have been made for the supply of firewood to Government Departments and Refugee Camps from Government plantations, which is more economical than purchase from contractors.

Upkeep and running expenses of Motor Lorries and Cars—\$1,000.

Owing to the higher cost of necessary spare parts required for Government vans, lorries and cars, the vote approved in the current Estimates is insufficient to meet expenditure to the end of the year.

Upkeep of Motor and Steam Rollers—\$1,000.

Owing to a heavy programme of road repairs during the year and to the higher cost of spare parts required for rollers, the vote approved in the current Estimates is insufficient to meet expenditure to the end of the year.

PUBLIC WORKS RECURRENT

Kowloon, Maintenance of Waterworks—\$10,000.

The amount provided in the current Estimates is insufficient to

meet all charges for the year, for the reasons stated below.

(a) Increased cost due to high consumption for the first seven months \$ 1,000

(b) Execution of works, sixteen repair work at the Yau-mat Service, and Jubilee Reservoirs 4,000

(c) Cost of waste detection work, for which the Finance Committee has informally approved of an expenditure up to 5,000

..... \$10,000

Waste Detection, Meters and Equipment—\$25,000.

A supplementary vote of \$25,000 is requested to meet the cost of Water Meters and other equipment necessary for carrying out certain proposals for the detection and prevention of waste wastage.

Barbed wire fence Leper Settlement at Kennedy Town—\$1,200.

A barbed wire fence estimated to cost \$1,200 is urgently required to surround the leper settlement at Kennedy Town recently taken over by Government.

PUBLIC WORKS EXTRAORDINARY

Umling ground, Access Road—\$4,000.

The provision of an additional umling ground on the Mainland is considered necessary, and a suitable area on the North slopes of Hammer Hill has been earmarked for this purpose. The new ground is required for use in 1939, and it is desirable to proceed as early as possible with the formation of an access road, estimated to cost \$4,000.

Conversion of Lai-chikok Prison Upper Block as Cholera Hospital—\$700.

Certain additional items have been requested by the Medical Department since the original estimate was prepared.

Building Ordinance—Compensation and Resumptions—\$18,000.

With the object of facilitating future residential development the closure of the Chinese burial grounds at Ho Mun Tin has been effected and, after negotiations with regard to the Roman Catholic cemetery, the Mission is now prepared to surrender its area to Government, in exchange for one situated to the West of the railway and North of Boundary Street. It is desirable to effect the exchange at an early date, by the payment of agreed compensation amounting to \$18,189.

Housing Disinfectant at Kennedy Town Hospital—\$1,450.

Extensive repairs are necessary to make serviceable the old steam disinfectant, removed from Victoria Gaol to the Kennedy Town Infectious Diseases Hospital.

AFTERMATH OF THE FIRE DISASTER IN CHANGSHA

Postal, Telegraphic Communications Restored

HOUSES, NOT DAMAGED, OPENED TO REFUGEES

Changsha, November 22. POSTAL AND TELEGRAPHIC COMMUNICATIONS between Changsha and the outside world, which were disrupted owing to the fire disaster, have now been restored.

Two temporary post offices have been established at the East Station and Tseumenkow in the city.

New telephone and telegraph poles are being erected throughout the city. Many of the houses, which were not damaged, are now thrown open to accommodate the large number of refugees.

A greater portion of the machinery in the power plant was not damaged and repair work is feverishly being done with the expectation that the plant will resume operations within the next three weeks.

To provide daily necessities for the rapidly returning populace, several co-operative stores have been established.

GREAT EXCITEMENT

News of the execution of the officials responsible for the fire disaster was received by the people with great excitement. Huge crowds gathered to read posters announcing the execution.

During the conference of the Hunan Provincial Government held on Sunday, a Changsha Fire Disaster Emergency Relief Commission was formally organized with Mr. Yi Jen-shen, as Chairman, and Mr. Tien Han, well-known Chinese writer, as Vice-Chairman.

The relief funds were tentatively fixed at \$500,000 of which \$200,000 will be appropriated by the National Military Council and \$300,000 by the Hunan Provincial Government.

IMMEDIATE PLAN URGED FOR JEW REFUGEES

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The Conservative member for Hamersley said he thought that the British Empire which was responsible for one-quarter of the surface of the globe was in a position materially to help in the settlement of refugees.

Mr. G. Le M. Mander (Liberal) said he believed that if the British Empire took one-quarter, the United States another quarter, South America and other countries might be willing to absorb the rest.

The Home Secretary, Sir Samuel Hoare, said that it was because he was anxious to see a complete and permanent settlement of the questions dividing Britain and Germany that he frankly and unhesitatingly stated his views. How can the question remain exclusively domestic when it involves scores of thousands of men, women and children destitute seeking admission to other countries.

Sir Samuel Hoare asked, amid cheers, if Mr. Myron Taylor, who is leaving the United States to attend the forthcoming meeting of the International Committee in London, will be able to consult Lord Winterton and other representatives as regards immediate steps.

NOT INSOLUBLE

The problem, said Sir Samuel, was not insoluble but it was not soluble without international effort co-operating actively with effective organization.

"We accept the responsibility that arises from the fact that we possess a great part of the surface of the world and, owing to our wealth and other resources, can play an important part in any attempt to deal with tragic problems," added the Home Secretary.

Sir Samuel Hoare said that the Prime Minister, Mr. Chamberlain, had said nothing about the Dominions because they had members at the Evian Conference. They must speak for themselves.

Their representatives will attend the London deliberations and he thought that each Dominion Government was giving very urgent attention to the question and a substantial number of refugees had already been admitted to one or other of the Dominions' territories.

The greater part of the British Empire territories can only be settled after careful and cautious preparations. With the best will in the world some time will possibly elapse before substantial numbers

CANDID CAMERA AT THE RACES



Picture taken at the Eleventh Extra Race meeting held at Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon. (Photo by Leica).

Arms Fraud Hearing Resumed In London

UNPACKING OF CASES TOLD BY WITNESS FOR PROSECUTION

London, November 22. Felix Maurice Portal, of Paris, secretary to the complainant, Theodore Lafitte, manager of a well-known firm of armament agents in Paris, gave evidence at Bow Street Police Court this morning when hearing of the arms deal case was resumed.

The accused, Denis Michael Corrigan, Frederick Willing and James Herbert Willing, are charged with having conspired with Chu Tin-shu to cheat Theodore Lafitte, manager of a well-known firm of armament agents in Paris, of £7,250. They are also charged with attempting to obtain a further sum of £4,000 from Lafitte.

The prosecution allege that the three defendants along with Chu advanced a story that Chu was an official of the Chinese Embassy in London and was authorized to buy armaments in Europe. Portal, who stated he had been Lafitte's secretary for about two months, recalled an interview in Paris in April between James Willing and Lafitte. Fred Willing, said witness, brought a receipt for delivery which he purported came from the Woolich arsenal.

Portal added, "I doubted its genuineness and Willing snatched back the document and said, 'I'm in a madhouse.'"

WITNESS continued that later he went to Marseilles with James Willing, having received instructions from Lafitte to verify the merchandise which had been unloaded at the wharf. The cover was removed and certain packets were found to be broken.

Portal added, "We saw at once the packets contained old stones and wood shavings. James Willing said it was not necessary to open the other boxes saying, 'I know they were sent from London without any goods in them.' Nevertheless, about a dozen other cases were opened and found to contain stones, wood shavings and pieces of iron. James Willing said he was most surprised and that he knew the person 'who had stolen the goods.' James Willing made a statement at a hotel later and said that because he had made no reference to Chu he wanted to make a second statement.

COUNSEL OBJECTS Counsel for Willing here interposed to object to the statements being given in evidence. Cross-examined, witness agreed that Willing was shocked and upset.

SPANISH WAR REPORTS

Salamanca, Nov. 22. A bulletin issued by National Spanish headquarters last night announces that during the "mopping up" operations on the Segre front, National Spanish troops captured 100 prisoners, three trench mortars, 15 heavy, 38 light machine-guns and 600 rifles.

Nationalist airmen shot down a Republican plane in the region of Segros and a Nationalist bombing squadron raided the port of Gandia dropping a large number of bombs.

Transocean.

POWERS WILL NOT RECOGNISE BOGUS REGIMES

Chungking, Nov. 22. It was learned here to-day that Japan is inducing the United States, Great Britain, France and Soviet Russia to recognize the new situation in the Far East by recognizing the puppet regimes in Nanking and Peiping. If the four Powers agree to this proposal, the Yangtze and Pearl Rivers will be re-opened to vessels of these countries.

As the United States is not satisfied with the Japanese reply to its Note protesting against the slamming of the open door, a second Note will be sent.

There is no possibility of the American, British and French Governments recognizing the bogus regimes and not even "Manchukuo" despite its recognition by Germany and Italy, it is said.—International.

"GAS" FROM STONE

Inventor Passes Through

Mr. Chang Wei-yung, former President of the Chamber of Commerce of China, arrived in Hongkong from Shanghai on Monday, en route to Haiphong, Kunming, Kweiyang and Chungking. He is leaving to-morrow.

Mr. Chang is the inventor of vaporized stone coal as a substitute for gasoline, and the Shanghai Municipal Council has given permission for motorcars using the new fuel to pass through the Settlement.

By using vaporized stone coal instead of gasoline running expenses may be reduced to one-tenth. It is especially suitable for cars travelling over long distances and Mr. Chang is now making arrangements to move the factory from Shanghai to the interior.

LOCAL INTEREST A number of Hongkong business men are said to be very much interested in his undertaking and have asked him to leave some of the technicians here to establish another producing factory.

Mr. Chang has it understood, requested Mr. Li Meng-ching to negotiate with local investors. At the end of three months he will return to Hongkong.—Takung-pao.

DEATH SENTENCE AT SESSIONS

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agreed that opium smoking at first produced a feeling of well-being but, after a large dose, this feeling disappeared and was followed by depression. Witness replied in the affirmative.

Mr. Fitzroy asked witness whether loss of memory and mental fatigue could also be caused, and witness agreed. Witness also agreed that a gradual change of character and conduct might occur.

Mr. Whyatt in his address to the jury, submitted that as many of the prosecution's witnesses had not been cross-examined in their evidence it meant that their evidence was not challenged. The admission by the prisoner was a frank confession of the killing and there was no other way about it.

NOT INCRIMINATING

Mr. Fitzroy reminded the jury that the reason why he did not cross-examine some of the witnesses was because their evidence in no way incriminated his client. There was no evidence that deceased could have deprived accused of the job and, therefore, the Crown had failed to establish motive adequate enough for what had been done. With regard to accused's confession, counsel said that most of it was false.

Accused, said counsel, was an opium smoker and, according to authorities, an opium addict was subject to defective reasoning and deterioration of the brain.

QUESTION OF MOTIVE

In his summing up, his Lordship said that with regard to the question of motive, he would ask the jury to consider the significance of accused's remarks to the deceased when he said, "You will know about it later," and that there was abundant evidence of a quarrel. Prisoner had himself admitted that it was over the job that he was induced to stab the deceased. Referring to the question of insanity, his Lordship said that it

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Japanese Abandon Drive Into Hunan Temporarily

YANGTZE TROOPS TRANSFERRED TO SOUTH CHINA

Chungking, November 22. THAT THE JAPANESE SOUTHWARD DRIVE INTO HUNAN has been abandoned, at least temporarily, is the opinion of Chinese observers here. They came to this conclusion on the following grounds:—

Firstly, that the Japanese are thought to be transferring part of their troops from the Yangtze Valley to South China to meet the threat of a Chinese attack on Canton.

Secondly, that the Japanese are believed to see no necessity for further penetration into the interior of China following the occupation of Peiping, Tientsin, Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow and Canton and they can now create a regime in Eastern China without pushing further inland.

Thirdly, that the Japanese Army is said to be encountering difficulties in its southward drive without the support of the Navy at the present stage, as low water in Tungting Lake prevents the movements of warships which gave the Japanese Army most valuable assistance in the advance on Hankow.

They are also of the opinion that since the Japanese hold Yochow, which controls the approach to Hankow from the south, the Japanese can afford to halt operations in the Yangtze Valley pending further developments.—Reuter.

CHINESE MARCHING ON YCHOW

Chungking, Nov. 22. While private reports reaching here are to a large extent contradictory, it nevertheless appears as though Japanese reinforcements are being hurried towards Samshui which would seem to indicate that the Canton-Samshui railway is in Japanese hands, and as heretofore would assure the Japanese freedom of movement.

Moreover the state of fighting on the Hupeh-Hunan frontier, from reports reaching here is not clear, but it is stated from Chinese quarters that the Chinese troops are marching on Yochow to take possession of this town after the arrival of reinforcements there and that the Chinese south of Yochow have occupied certain lesser positions.—Transocean.

ADVANCE ALONG TWO ROUTES

Shanghai, Nov. 22. Japanese forces operating in the area from Hankow to Changsha are continuing their advance along two routes, an Army spokesman declared. Chinese troops are reported to be concentrated at Pingkiang, east of the railway, and are evidently planning to hold the city.

The Navy spokesman said that the air force raided Chinese concentrations north of Tungting Lake and at one point saw 300 Chinese junks allegedly full of soldiers. When the men fled into villages, bombs were dropped and eight fires started.—Reuter.

The support of all Parties in the House of Commons, said approval by the representative of the city of London were given to the Government's Bill to check the activities of fraudulent "share pushers" which received unopposed its second reading in the House of Commons on Monday night. Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, said he was astounded less by the intelligence of the criminals than by the gullibility of their victims. Some £5,000,000 annually were being lost as a result of these frauds, says British Wire-less.

The tin quota is unchanged, says a Reuter message from Paris.

was up to the jury to consider whether accused was subjected to hallucinations just because he smoked opium.

Before passing sentence, his Lordship asked accused whether he had anything to say. Accused replied, "I am not guilty."

BRIGHTER MENU FOR SEAMEN

Varied Food To Suit Climate

MORE VEGETABLES AND EGGS

Menus to suit climatic conditions and obviate monotony, arranged under the supervision of dietetic experts, may soon be provided for sailors of the British merchant service, says the "Daily Telegraph."

Negotiations between shipowners and the National Union of Seamen at the National Maritime Board have resulted in new and improved scales of provisions, and the Board of Trade is now to be asked to approve the scales and seek the co-operation of dietitians.

Under the new scales each man will receive four eggs during his first fortnight's stint, and he will be able to have an additional egg as an equivalent of two ounces of meat each day. One and a half pounds of fish may be issued as a substitute for one pound of meat, and fresh vegetables will be issued whenever possible.

COMPLAINTS FROM CREWS The supply of onions will be increased from three ounces a week to half a pound, butter from half to three-quarters of a pound and condensed milk from 4 2-3 ounces to 9 1-3 ounces.

The ration of tea is increased from 12 ounces to three ounces, while an innovation is the allowance of three ounces of cocoa or chocolate. The amounts of butter, milk and sugar shown in the new scales are exclusive of the amounts used in cooking.

An official of the National Union of Seamen said recently: "For many years the union has received complaints from ships' crews about the scales of provisions laid down in the Merchant Shipping Act, 1906."

"One of the main complaints has been that the men received insufficient allowances under the scale, particularly in tea, milk, sugar and butter. They also complained that the menus were not varied; ships' trading to the River Plate appear to have had the same type of menu as those in the North Atlantic trade in winter time."

POLICY OF PLENTY "Crews have complained, too, of the absence of fresh vegetables and other green foods. At present climate does not in any material way alter the Board of Trade scale, and foods considered suitable for cold climates—beef, beans and potatoes—are apparently considered equally suitable in the warmer climates."

"The men have been anxious to exchange jam, pickles or marmalade for milk, tea, sugar and butter, but masters and stewards have often been reluctant to make the exchange."

"In many ships, however, there have been no complaints, as the owners have adopted a 'fill and plenty' policy. Many owners have willingly co-operated in arranging the scale of provisions which we are now submitting to the Board of Trade."

In the World of Sports

Second-Class Rugby Needs Better Referees

PLAYERS FORCED TO DEVELOP OWN INTERPRETATIONS OF LAWS

When I find on my table the first letter about the inefficiency of referees I know that the Rugby season has really begun. The hunt is up, in fact, and "the warmist's astir," as Mr. Jorrocks remarked one fine morning.

Not that I hold with abuse of referees, who are a zealous, self-sacrificing and almost wholly admirable body of enthusiasts. It is just that human nature delights to express itself by abusing the man in charge, whether he is responsible for a nation or a game of football, writes a Home correspondent.

This particular letter complains that the refereeing in second-class football is so indifferent that players are forced to develop their own interpretations of the laws. It therefore follows that when a player graduates to first-class football his ideas are already warped, and the game is thus poisoned at the root.

My correspondent has himself played in second-class football for 10 years, so he speaks from experience. Bitter experience, he would say, and he suggests that the Rugby Union should examine causes before they criticise effects.

DEMAND EXCEEDS SUPPLY
There is, I am sure, something in this contention, though the Rugby Union can do very little about it. The truth of the matter is that the demand for referees vastly exceeds the supply.

Refereeing is an extremely difficult job, and a thankless one at that, and, unfortunately, far too few players take it up when they retire.

Consider, for example, the London Society of Referees, whose work for the game is invaluable. They manage to produce approximately 200 referees a week, but, given so, they can only supply the first and "A" teams of the big clubs and the first teams of second-class clubs.

Now clubs like the London Scottish or the Wasps run eight or nine teams every Saturday and all their junior teams, therefore, have to make do with any referees they can find.

This is obviously a serious and deplorable state of affairs. It can only be remedied if the players themselves will decide that when their playing days are over they will give their services as referees in return for the pleasure which the game has given them.

RECRUITING DRIVE NEEDED
This is not a new problem, but it remains an urgent one. We need many more referees recruited particularly from those who have had playing experience. Refereeing is not a responsibility to be undertaken lightly. It means considerable self-sacrifice and constant application.

Our debt of gratitude to those devoted souls who do approach it seriously is already great, but the time has assuredly come for a big recruiting drive.

The British players who have just returned from South Africa were considerably impressed by the standard of refereeing in the Union. That is not surprising. They played under picked referees, and I have no doubt that a Dominion team visiting the home countries would be equally impressed.

If the British team had watched second-class football in South Africa they might well have been less enthusiastic.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Twelfth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 3rd December, 1938 (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building, the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shean Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 24th November, 1938.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

WAS IT A HOMER?



Heavy-batter Davis of the Hongkong Baseball Club, shaping for a home run.

Rugby Football

PROBLEM OF GATE MONEY IN WALES

Serious Decline In Public Interest

It was a general complaint among the leading Welsh Rugby clubs last season that public interest in club Rugby had shown a serious decline.

More than one club made a heavy financial loss on the season's working, and the view was expressed that if things did not improve some famous clubs would be faced with bankruptcy.

From all I gather, gates this season have been smaller than ever, writes a Home correspondent.

True, the weather has been unusually bad for this time of the year, but even on Saturday week, a day of brilliant sunshine, crowds were disappointingly small. What is to be done about it?

Obviously, the game needs to be made more attractive to the spectator. It must compete successfully with other forms of entertainment like soccer and the cinema.

There are thousands of people who think that Rugby at its best is unequalled as a spectacle, but of those thousands only a small percentage are so desperately keen on watching Rugby that they will put up indefinitely with the miserable succession of scrums and line-outs that make up so many games in Wales nowadays.

There was a time, in the first decade of this century, when it might be claimed with truth that Welsh Rugby was the best in the world. That was the era of solid, stolid packs and brilliant three-quarters; when forwards kept themselves to themselves, and one set of backs fought an equal battle of wits against the other.

WING-FORWARD BLAMED
Everybody in Wales knows that that era is past. Any Welsh Rugby follower will tell you the game is not what it was, and will blame the wing-forward for the fact. There is thus no mystery about the disease which afflicts Welsh Rugby. The difficulty is to persuade the Welshman that there is any cure for it.

A spirit of defeatism seems to permeate Rugby followers everywhere. I often hear it said that the English teams alone seem capable of playing the open game that spectators want to see, but few people seem to know why it is that passing movements are developed more often by English than by Welsh club sides.

Partly it is because English sides are less wedded to safety-first tactics, but there is another and more important reason. The average Welsh team knows one, and only one, method of getting the ball back to the three-quarters—that is, by heeling from the set scrum-wager.

But, as everybody knows, the wing-forward system of defence has robbed this time-honoured method of most of its effectiveness. The quick heel from a loose move—a far more potent method of attack under modern conditions—is completely neglected by all the Welsh clubs except Cardiff, and it is no mere coincidence that Cardiff are the most spectacular side in Wales.

I am convinced that the regeneration of Welsh club Rugby depends upon the ability of Welsh packs to master the principles of the "loose-heel." When they do Welsh back-play will come into its own again, and spectators will flock to see it.

SPORTS FLASHES

THE HONGKONG BOWLING
Alleys have proved to be such a success that work is already under way with the extension plan. It is, however, not yet decided how many more alleys will be constructed, it being thought that at least another four will be put up.

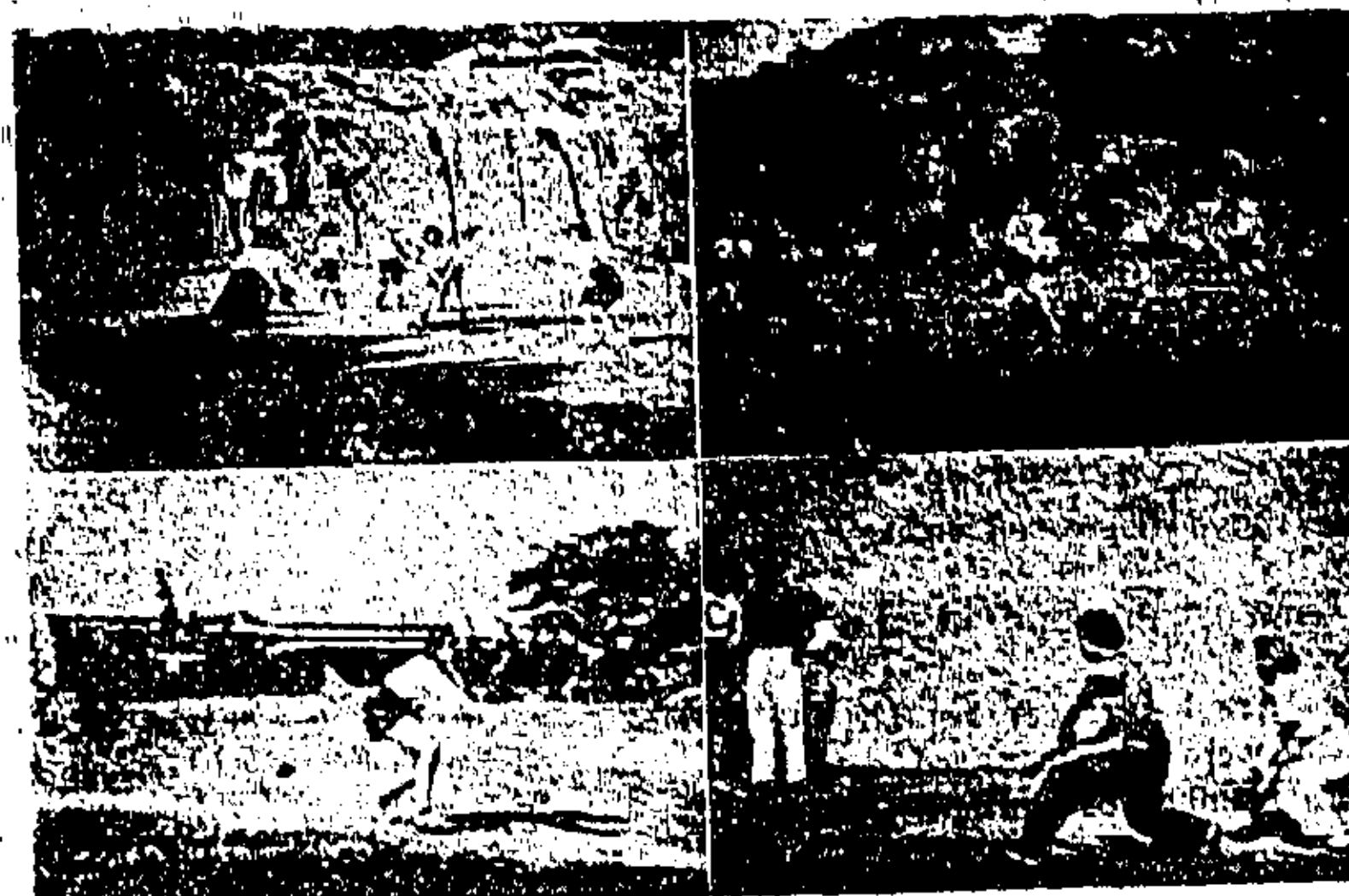
DESMOND HYNES, the Hongkong Football Club rugby and soccer player, will be proceeding on Home leave on February 3, 1939. Hynes is a regular member of the Club "A" XV and is regarded as a very useful man.

THERE IS A DISTINCT possibility that A. S. Sumfild, the Indian Recreation Club's first eleven cricketer, will return to the game in the New Year. Sumfild has had to be content with merely watching for the past two seasons due to leg trouble.

W. C. CHOY, the novice jockey, is convalescing after a bout of illness. He will not, it is feared, be able to play for the Chinese Recreation Club in the Badminton League for some time to come.

THE REV. C. B. R. SARGENT plays his last game of cricket for the Diocesan Boys' School today in the game against the Old Boys. He is captaining the side for the first time, having always played under one of the boys when he was headmaster.

LADIES AT HOCKEY AND SOFTBALL



The above photographs (top) show the C.B.A. girls at hockey and the bottom pictures depict two incidents during one of the recent week-end softball games when the ladies put up such a creditable display (Photo by Al)

LIGHT BLUES LOSE AT RUGGER

London, Nov. 22. The Cambridge University rugby team received a beating yesterday at the hands of Newport, losing by six points to 18.—Reuter.

THERE HAS BEEN SOME talk about the formation of a Sunday cricket team, members of which will be made up of mostly First Division League players. W. H. ("Bull") Colledge, W. Paterson, A. R. H. Esmail and A. K. Ismail are amongst those likely to turn out for this side.

BRUTUS NOW IN 'B' CLASS

The following alteration to Classification Lists dated June 7, 1938 is announced by the Hongkong Jockey Club:—

Australian Ponies
"Brutus" to "B" class.

MEDWAY WIN

In a friendly hockey match played at King's Park yesterday H.M.S. Medway defeated the Y.M.C.A. by six goals to nil, the sailors scoring three goals in each half.

Sporting Fixtures

TO-DAY
BADMINTON.—"B" Division, Re-creio v. Kowloon Tong "A"; St. John's v. V.R.C.; Kowloon Tong "B" v. Wanders; Y.M.C.A. Badminton in the West Lounge, all day; Cathedral Hall Badminton League Match, 8 p.m.
BOWLS.—His Excellency The Governor's Team v. Club de Recrio (Government House), 3.15 p.m.
CRICKET.—D. B. S. v. Old Boys (D.B.S.), 1.45 p.m.
HOCKEY.—La Salle v. E.K.S. (King's Park), 4.30 p.m.
RUGBY.—Club "A" v. an Army XV (Club), 5 p.m.
SHOOTING.—Weekly Practice (Shoot Kowloon City Ranges), 2 p.m.

TO-MORROW
BRIDGE.—Cheero Club Bridge and Mahjong, 8 p.m.
HOCKEY.—Hongkong Assn. Tournament, University v. Queen's College (University), 4.45 p.m.

H.K.C.C. TEAM

The following will represent the Hongkong C.C. 2nd Eleven in a cricket match against C.B.S. at the H.K.C.C. on Saturday:—
R. S. W. Paterson (Capt.), A. C. Beck, C. W. E. Bishop, N. P. Fox, C. E. Gahagan, H. J. Armstrong, J. L. Hiley, H. J. D. Lowe, G. S. Lovett, D. O. Parsons and I. H. Stokes.



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Schubert Symphony
12-12.20 p.m. Relay of a service
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Cathedral.

12.30 p.m. Tino Rossi (Vocal) and
the Vienna Boheme Orchestra.

Ich Liebe Dich, Waltz (Waldteu-
fel, Op. 177); An Dich, Waltz
(Waldteufl, Op. 150) — Vienna
Boheme Orchestra; Colombine
(de Pierlas) Come Back Dear
(Cardoni and Patrino) — Tino Rossi
(Tenor) with O.chestra; Love's
Joy; Love's Sorrow (Old Vienna
Waltz — Kreisler) — Vienna Boheme
Orchestra; Le Roi D'ys-Aubade
(Lalo); Manon — Dream Song
(Massenet) — Tino Rossi (Tenor)
with O.chestra; April Smiles, Waltz
(Depret) — Vienna Boheme Orches-
tra.

1 p.m. Local Time Signal and
Weather Report.

1.03 p.m. Haydn — Concerto in D
Major for Violoncello and Orches-
tra.

Guilhermina Suggia (Cello) and
Orchestra, conducted by John Bar-
nroll.

1.30 p.m. Reuter and Rugby
Press, Weather Forecast and An-
nouncements.

1.40 p.m. Variety with Frank
Crumit, Grace Fields, Les Allen
and Jack Jackson and His Orches-
tra.

When Did You Leave Heaven
(film "Sing, Baby, Sing") — Les Allen
(Vocal) with O.chestra; Serenade
— Rumba Fox-Trot (from "Gay De-
ceivers"); It Happened In The
Moonlight — Fox-Trot (from "Gay
Deceivers") — Jack Jackson and His
Orchestra with vocal refrain; She
Fought Like A Tiger For 'er honour
(Haines-Harper); I Give My Heart
(from the film) — Grace Fields with
Orchestra; In A Little English Inn
— Fox-Trot; Sailing Home With
The Tide — Waltz — Jack Jackson
and His Orchestra with vocal re-
frain; There's No One With En-
durance (Crumit, Curtis); Whoo,
Josephine (Crumit, Curtis) — Frank
Crumit with Orchestra; Three
Stars shine in the Sky (German
film "Homeland") — Zarah Leander
(Vocal) with Orchestra; I'll Stand
By (Davis and Coots) — Les Allen
and His Canadian Bachelors with
Novelty Accompaniment.

2.15 p.m. Close down.

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(Sievier-Thayer); I Got Plenty O'
Nuttin' (Porgy and Bess — Gersh-
win) — Peter Dawson (Bass-Bar-
itone) with Male Chorus and Or-
chestra; Rolling Along (film "Music
Goes Round") — Peter Dawson
(Bass-Baritone) with Orchestra;
Shepherd's Hey (Grainger) — Royal
Opera Orchestra, Covent Garden;
William Tell — Andante (Rossini-
arr. Walter); Traumerel (Schu-
mann-arr. Walter) — Massed Or-
chestra of Gellios.

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5.00 — "Canada Speaks." First
hand accounts of life and work in
Canada by a fisherman in Nova
Scotia (D1).

5.15 — Chamber Music of Men-
delssohn by the Bronkhorst Trio
(D1).

5.50 — News (D1).

6.45 — Song Recital by Norman
Allin, bass (D2).

7.15 — Omega Organ Programme
(D2).

7.50 — "The Thin Red Line — The
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8.45 — Daily News (H.L.).

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9.00 — Actualities (H.L.).

9.05 — Hits from Current Musical
Comedies (D2).

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Tournament." Talk on results of
the past days by Mr. W.A.T. van
Schelthout (H.L.).

9.30 — News (D2).

10.00 — "In Town To-night." (D3).

10.30 — "Stop Dancing." (D3).

11.00 — Operatic Programme by
the BBC Empire Orchestra (D3).

12.00 — News (D3).

12.20 a.m. — "At the Theatre," by
F.H.C. Piffard (D3).

12.40 — "World Affairs." Talk by
H. Wickham Steed (D3).

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Apprehension Caused By Mr. Hall-Patch's Trip

BRITAIN'S INVESTMENTS AND CHINA'S FINANCES

The recent visit of the Financial Adviser to the British Embassy, Mr. E. L. Hall-Patch, to Tokyo, has aroused deep apprehension in Chinese economic circles. The Chinese papers in this city comment at length on the visit, the "Yi Pao" emphasising Britain's compromising attitude towards the Far East as evidenced by the conclusion of the Anglo-Japanese customs agreement.

The Chinese people, it is declared, fear that the visit of Mr. Hall-Patch may have a bearing upon the Japanese attempt to undermine Chinese currency and that Britain may make further concessions to Japan by manoeuvring Chinese currency into the Yen Bloc as condition for a guarantee on part of the Japanese to respect what is left of British interests in China.

The paper expresses the view that such apprehension is unwarranted, stating that since the present conflict began, no financial dealings whatsoever have been conducted between the two countries and it would therefore be impossible for England to join with Japan in a plan to link up the Yen Bloc.

Moreover, the currency reform which was carried out in China with the co-operation of Britain was intended as an economic weapon against Japan. Mr. Neville Chamberlain, it is declared, would not be so foolish as to assist Japan by "destroying Chinese currency, since it would merely provide Japan with a deadly weapon for attacking England.

As the largest investor in China, England must depend upon Chinese currency retaining its purchasing value, and in view of the fact that the continued existence of foreign rights and interests in China depend solely upon the continuance of Chinese resistance to the invaders, the paper points out the necessity of England's assisting China to safeguard her currency during the period of war.

AMERICA'S POSITION

The paper, "Morning Leader," also attempts to dispel undue apprehension on the part of Chinese merchants over the Tokyo visit of Mr. Hall-Patch, declaring that Chinese currency belongs to the Sterling bloc and that Britain, even if she wished to do so, could not destroy it because the greatest part (45th) of the currency reserves are deposited in the United States.

BRITAIN PAID GERMANY £21,800,000

There was a balance of £4,300,000 in Germany's favour in her trade with Britain during the first nine months of this year. Purchases from Britain amounted to £17,500,000, and sales to Britain totalled £21,800,000.

On the other hand, Germany's total imports increased by over £10,000,000 to £335,100,000, whereas exports declined by £23,000,000 to £321,500,000, leaving an adverse balance of £13,600,000.

The inclusion of the figures for Austria brings this unfavourable balance up to £25,800,000.

Purchases from Britain showed a decline, especially those of copper and cotton web. Other declines were in purchases of rubber and oil fruits from British Malaya; of rice, cotton, jute, skins, and hides from British India; of oil fruits from Nigeria; of cocoa from the Gold Coast, and of wheat from Australia.

Purchases of wool and manganese ore from South Africa, were larger. Exports to Australia and South Africa increased.

JAPANESE GOODS DUMPED IN SHANGHAI

Chungking, Nov. 22.

A large quantity of Japanese goods has been dumped on the Shanghai market according to a Shanghai report.

Patriotic Chinese in the metropolis, it is stated, have organised a secret body to launch a boycott movement and to serve warnings to dealers of such articles.—Central News.

GERMANY'S REPLY TO U.S. QUERY ON AUSTRIAN DEBTS

New York, Nov. 22.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, announced yesterday that a note had been received from Germany with regard to debts of the old Austrian State which the United States had previously asked Germany to assume.

According to the Dow Jones Agency, Mr. Hull said that the note did not purport to be final and it is necessarily unsatisfactory, but did not reveal the contents.—Reuter.

P. AND O. DIVIDEND DOUBLED

The directors of the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company are recommending a final dividend of 2½ per cent, plus a bonus of 3 per cent, both less tax, on the deferred stock. With the 2½ per cent interim distribution the total for the year ended September 30 last is 8 per cent, less tax.

This compares with 4 per cent in one payment in respect of 1936-37. The most optimistic of recent market estimates were for a total distribution of 6 per cent. This announcement accordingly came as a pleasant surprise and the stock

units immediately jumped 2s 9d to 25s 3d. The price at the close was 25s 3d, a net gain on the day of 2s 3d. The yield is about 6½ per cent.

British India Steam Navigation Company, which is controlled by the P. and O., is also making an increased distribution. It is proposed to pay a final Ordinary dividend of 3½ per cent, making, with the interim of 2½ per cent, a total of 6 per cent, less tax, for the year. For 1936-37 a single payment of 5 per cent was distributed. The final dividend is payable on December 12.

British Trade Interests In China

HOUSE OF COMMONS QUESTIONS

London, Nov. 22

Mr. A. E. L. Chorklin (Cons.) speaking in the House of Commons yesterday, asked whether the Prime Minister had considered representations from British trading interests in Shanghai, urging strong and immediate action to protect British trade in China from Japanese encroachments, and what steps in this connection he had taken.

Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied that the Foreign Secretary had given close attention to these representations, and the British Ambassador to Tokyo had recently emphasised to the Japanese Government the importance attached in England to an early settlement of all outstanding cases affecting British interests in China.

Mr. Chorklin drew attention to the Japanese official account of the inaugural meetings of two Japanese syndicates formed to control industries, commodities and communications in North and Central China, and asked the Prime Minister by whom the capital for the syndicate was being subscribed, whether it was in cash or kind, and what steps he had taken to prevent British trade from being excluded from the China market.

NO MONOPOLISTIC PRIVILEGES

Mr. Butler said that he understood that two companies were formally established on November 7. One-half of the capital was to be furnished in each case by the Japanese Government, and one-half by private investors, part of the Government's investment being represented by contributions in kind.

The British Ambassador had been assured that no exclusive rights or monopolistic privileges were claimed by these enterprises. Representations would continue to be made to the Japanese Government whenever British interests were adversely affected.

RAILWAYS IN CHINA

Mr. A. C. Moring asked whether the Prime Minister had yet received a satisfactory reply from the Japanese Government to the British Government's representations that opportunity should be afforded representatives of British bondholders in the Shanghai-Nanking railway to inspect the railway line, and that necessary measures should be taken to safeguard their financial interests in the line.

Mr. Butler replied that in conversations with the Japanese Minister for Foreign Affairs in September, the British Ambassador had been informed that there were difficulties of a military character in the way of a comprehensive grant for inspection facilities on this and other Chinese railways.

Inspection of the Shanghai North railway station, however, had been permitted. Both the question of inspection and that of the financial interests of bondholders were being considered by the Japanese Government, and a definite reply had been promised.

SHANGHAI FACTORIES

Mr. Moring asked whether the Prime Minister was yet in a position to report on the result of discussions with the Japanese authorities in Shanghai, and Tokyo with regard to reopening the foreign-owned factories in the occupied areas, inside and outside of the International Settlement in Shanghai.

Mr. Butler replied that the discussions were continuing, and that the Foreign Secretary understands that certain cases are in a fair way to being settled locally.—Reuter.

REICHSMARK QUOTATIONS

Berlin, Nov. 22.

The Reichsmark was quoted without guarantee at: New York, 40.08; Paris, 1524; Amsterdam, 73.70 to 73.75; London, 11.7375; Paris Sterline, 178.57 to 178.70; Paris U.S. Dollars, 25.00 to 25.02.—Transocean.

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COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

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SINGAPORE RUBBER

	Nov. 19	Nov. 21	
	buyers	sellers	buyers sellers Change
SPOT	27	27-1/4	27-1/8 27-3/8 up 1/8
Jan.-March	27-1/2	27-3/4	27-5/8 27-7/8 up 1/8
APRIL-JUNE	27-3/4	28	27-7/8 28-1/8 up 1/8

The market opened with prices unchanged for all deliveries as compared with Saturday's closing quotations.

After the opening the market ruled quiet, but steady. Demand for "actuals" was good, but speculative interest was at a low ebb, operators preferring to stand on side-lines.

Later in the session steady enquiries for "spot" Rubber caused prices to advance 1/8 cent for prompt delivery, whilst prices for "futures" remained unchanged.

During the last trading hour the market became stagnant due to continued disinclination of dealers and speculators to enter into new forward engagements. Only a very moderate volume of business on basis of quoted rates was transacted.

Closing tone was quiet.

Leading Rubber Brokers in New York estimate U.S.A. consumption during November-December at 82,000 tons and during January-March 1939 at 135,000 tons. In view of this very satisfactory statistical position a policy of conservative accumulation at present price-levels would appear to be justified.

LONDON RUBBER

	Previous close	To-day's close	
	buyers	sellers	buyers sellers Change
SPOT	7-15/16	8	7-7/8 7-15/16 off 1/16
JAN.-MARCH	8	8-1/16	7-7/8 7-15/16 off 1/8
APRIL-JUNE	8-1/16	8-1/8	8 8-1/16 off 1/16

Market eased on outside liquidation.

Rubber stocks held in the United Kingdom showed a decrease of 1,452 tons for the week ending November 21, 1938.

NEW YORK COTTON

The market to-day was steady, but business was inactive, with traders hesitant early in the session in the face of liquidation and hedge-selling. Later, there was some price-fixing of nears, and foreign buying of late months. December liquidation was readily absorbed by Trade shorts and leading spot houses. Washington advices indicate numerous proposals for Government assistance to farmers, but no definite plans have yet been disclosed.

NEW YORK RUBBER

Prices declined to new lows in the current movement on easiness in London, the softness of Sterling, selling by dealers and foreign interests and commission-house liquidation. Later, there was some support, which was mainly accredited to factories, but this was apparent only on the scale-down.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Prices went on the downward trend, on liquidation by December "longs." Sentiment was bearish, with importing countries displaying no anxiety with regard to future supplies and with prospects of liberal December offerings. A further depressing factor was the satisfactory progress of the crop in the South, while favourable rains are reported from some sections of the West.

N. Y. Commodity Market

(By Courtesy of Messrs. Swan, Culbertson & Fritz and S. L. Levy & Company)

	High	Low	Close	Prev. To-day's	Change
New York Cotton — Dec.	8.68	8.59	8.59	8.58	.09 up
New York Rubber — Dec.	15.90	15.65	16.05	15.65	.40 off
Chicago Wheat — Dec.	62½	62½	63½	62½	1 off
Chicago Corn — Dec.	46½	46½	46½	46½	1 off
Winnipeg Wheat — Dec.	58½	57½	58½	57½	1 off

NEW YORK COTTON

December	8.59/59	8.59/59	8.68/68	.09 up
January (1939)	8.49 N	8.49/48	8.57/57	.08 up
March ()	8.42/42	8.42/43	8.50/50	.08 up
May ()	8.23/23	8.25/25	8.29/30	.06 up
July ()	8.03/03	8.04/05	8.12/13	.09 up
October ()	7.75/75	7.75/75	7.81/81	.06 up
Spot	8.97 N		9.08 N	11 up

NEW YORK RUBBER

December	16.05b/08a	15.90b/16.00a	15.65/65	.40 off
March (1939)	16.04/08	15.95/93	15.65/65	.39 off
May	16.04/05	15.95/91	15.65/66	.39 off
September	16.10/10		15.65/70	.45 off
October	16.11 N		15.67 N	.41 off

Sales for the day—4,160 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT

December	63½/63	62½/62½	62½/62½	1 off
May	65½/65½	65½/65½	65½/65½	1 off
July	65½/65½		65½/65	1 off

Saturday's Sales—9,977,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

December	46½/46½	46½/46½	46½/46½	1 off
May	50½/50½	50½/50½	50½/50½	1 off
July	51½/51½		51½/51½	1 off

WINNIPEG WHEAT

December	58½/58½	58½/58½	57½/57½	1 off
May	61½/61½	61½/61½	60½/60½	1 off
July	62½/62½		61½/61½	1 off

NEW YORK HIDES: (New Contracts)

December	12.54 N	12.40b/55a	12.57 N
March	12.89/85		12.77/77

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December	45.05b/20a	45.95b/46.10a	45.85b/95a
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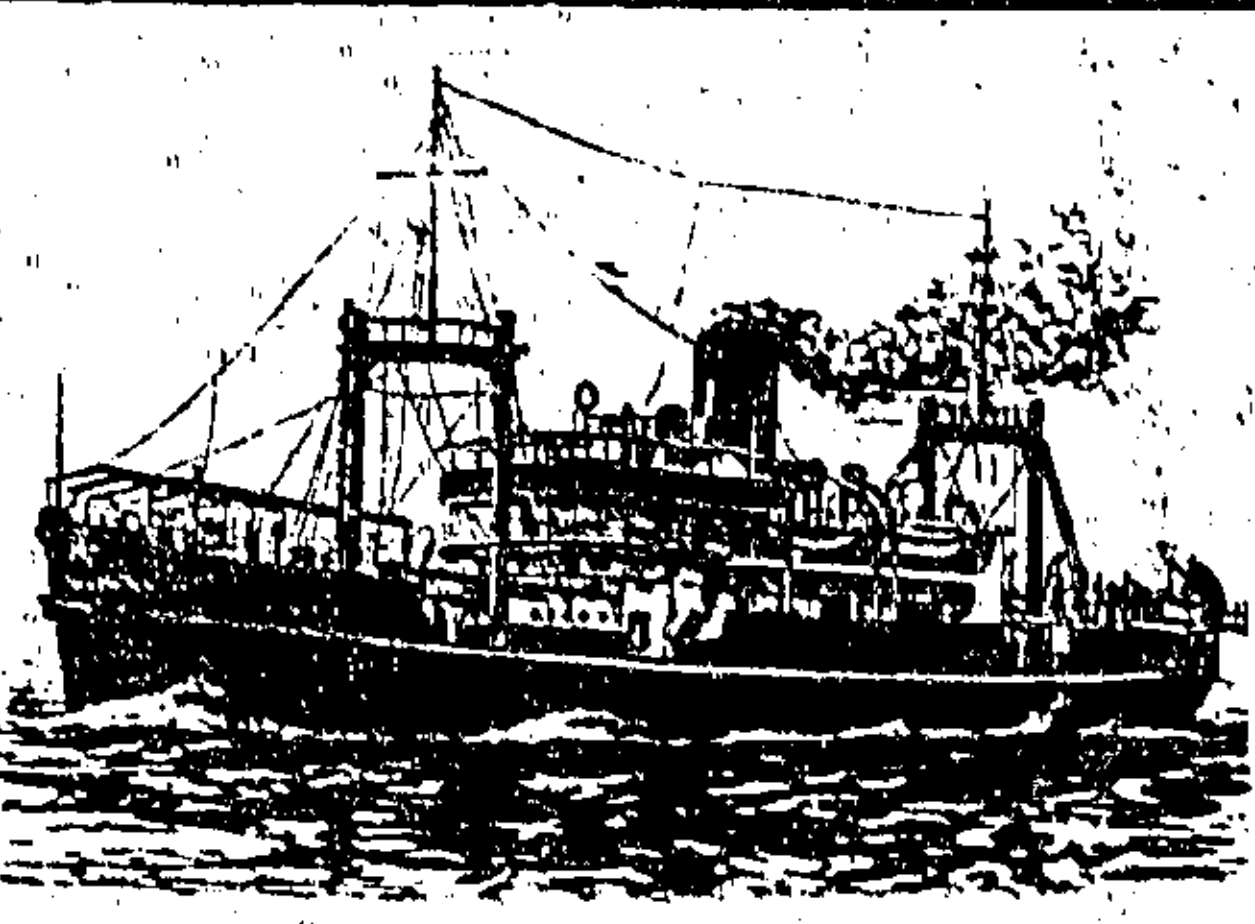
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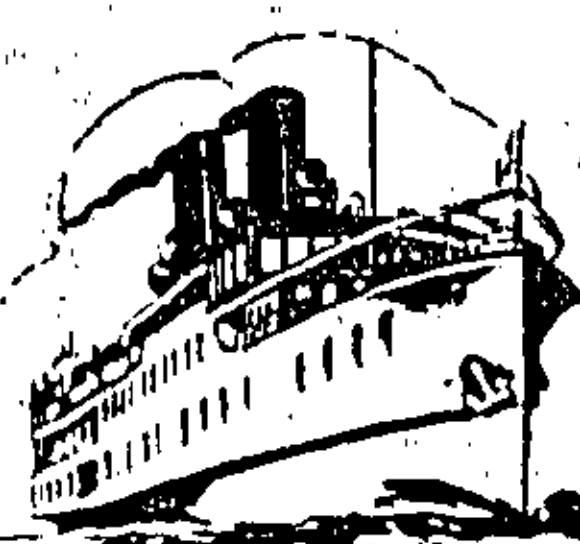
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DEATH OF REV. FR. PAUL LU AGED 74

Came To Hongkong When A Boy

The death occurred at the St. Francis Hospital, Wanchai, yesterday of the Rev. Father Paul Lu, Parish Priest of the Holy Cross Church, Shaokwan, at the age of 74.

Father Lu came to Hongkong when a boy, from the Sun Tak District, Canton. He completed his studies in the local Seminary, annexed to the Catholic Cathedral, Glenelg, where he distinguished himself.

He accompanied the late Bishop Raimondi in travels to South America and Australia, when raising funds for the building of the present Cathedral, inaugurated in December, 1888.

Father Paul Lu was subsequently in charge of the Chinese congregation at the Cathedral, and was afterwards for many years at the Rosary Church, Kowloon. Later, he was Parish Priest of the Holy Cross Church, at Shaokwan.

He was of a very amiable disposition, always ready to help those who were in need, not sparing even his personal belongings. He will be sadly missed by his colleagues and congregation.

The cortege will leave St. Francis Hospital, Wanchai, at 4 p.m. to-day, passing the Monument, Happy Valley, at 4.30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS MAIL TIMES

The following Christmas Mail reminders are made:—

From to-day up to and including November 2 there are three mail steamers due to sail from Hongkong for ports in Great Britain, Australia, the United States and Canada. These vessels will arrive at their destinations before Christmas.

The final Christmas mail for the British Empire (including Canada) will leave Hongkong in an Imperial Airways plane on December 16, posted the day before. This mail will arrive in Great Britain on December 23. The New Year mail for the British Empire leaves on December 20 and reaches its destination on Boxing Day.

The final Christmas mail for America leaves here by Pan-American Airways Clipper on December 15 and arrives at Alameda on December 21.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Those who wish to send Christmas cards in open envelopes by sea must catch the mail which closes at 10.30 a.m. on November 23. It will be forwarded by the s.s. Rawalpindi due to arrive at London on December 24.

On November 25, the Empress of Asia leaves with mail for Canada and the United States. It will carry Christmas cards in open envelopes and parcels for Canada and letters and parcel mails for America. Parcels must be posted before 3 p.m. on November 24, the registered mail closes at 9.15 a.m. on November 25 and at 10 a.m. the ordinary mail closes.

Christmas cards in open envelopes, and parcels, to Australia can be sent by the s.s. Tandra which is due to arrive in Sydney on December 21. The parcel mail for this ship closes at 5 p.m. on December 1, registered mail at 8.45 a.m. on December 2 and ordinary at 9.30 a.m. on the same day.

Warm Tribute Paid At Farewell Dinner To The Rev. C. B. R. Sargent

PRESENTATION OF TYPEWRITER FROM DIOCESAN OLD BOYS

The Diocesan Boys' School Old Boys' Association held a Chinese dinner at the Chinese Merchants Club, China Building, last night, the occasion being to bid farewell to the Rev. C. B. R. Sargent, who is leaving for Foochow shortly, and to welcome the new Headmaster of the School, Mr. G. A. Goodban.

A large number of Old Boys and masters of the School attended, and official guests were the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Bishop R. O. Hall, Lt. Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. D. Landale, Mr. Justice E. H. Williams and Mr. P. S. Cassidy.

After dinner the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan, Vice-Chairman of the Association, said:—

While we feel glad because our headmaster, Mr. Sargent, is promoted to a higher sphere of work, we are really sad because we are bidding him farewell.

In a few days' time, a most solemn ceremony will be conducted in Hongkong, on the occasion of the consecration, as Bishop of Mr. Sargent. He will then depart to take up his new post as Assistant Bishop at Fookien.

When Mr. Sargent took over the D.B.S. in 1931, there were only 300 boys in the school; it was then in urgent need of a "strong man." Mr. Sargent's qualifications in these respects, preeminently fitted him to the task.

By dint of hard and persevering labour, the school was not only placed on a sound basis, but, it made most remarkable progress under his able administration, with the result that when he handed over the school to his successor, Mr. Goodban, last month, it boasts of having the present magnificent buildings, its extensive grounds and 500 pupils on the school roll.

Not only has he performed invaluable services to the school as a whole, he is also responsible for instilling into the boys that wonderful spirit of service and sacrifice and the development of a strong character, which are such infallible hallmarks of a well-administered school.

I am glad to announce that, whilst we are bidding him farewell,

POSTMAN WHO WAS LAZY

Sent To Gaol For Tearing Letters

Sentences totalling six months' hard labour were imposed on a postman, Chau Yu, when he appeared on remand before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Court yesterday on two charges of destroying letters and a newspaper, the property of the Postmaster General.

On October 18 a watchman saw defendant tear up something and throw it into the harbour. When defendant disappeared, the watchman picked up the torn pieces, but did not make a report.

Two days later, he again saw defendant destroying some paper and a newspaper. This time a whole envelope was found.

Mr. D. W. Fitches of the General Post Office told the Court that the Postmaster General took a very serious view of the case.

It seemed, according to Sergeant McVey who prosecuted, that it was an incidence of laziness.

he is not severing his last tie with us. At the last meeting of the School Committee, Mr. Sargent was unanimously elected to be a member of the Committee. I understand that this is the first time in the history of the school, in which a headmaster, on retiring, is made a member of the School Committee.

As Vice-President of the Old Boys' Association, he has always identified himself with its activities.

On behalf of the Old Boys' Association, I have much pleasure in presenting to you, Mr. Sargent, this typewriter, which I hope you will accept as a token of our high esteem, and as a small memento of the happy hours which the Old Boys have spent with you, at the school.

MR. SARGENT REPLIES

Replying, Mr. Sargent thanked all those present for the dinner and also for the solid token of friendship which had just been given to him in the form of a typewriter.

A letter of regret from the Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall for not being able to be present was then read.

SCHOOL NEEDS

Bishop Hall said that it would be a task for the new headmaster to keep the school going on in a healthy condition, but he was sure that the Old Boys who had always rallied to the call, whether financial or otherwise, would extend any or all possible help to Mr. Goodban if he needed it.

Referring to the school, Bishop Hall said that many things such as a gymnasium and swimming bath and other hobbies were needed and something should be done about it. He was sure that in Mr. Goodban, the school would find a very suitable headmaster.

Mr. Goodban suitably replied.

Three cheers were then called for Mr. Sargent, followed by a further three cheers for Mr. Goodban, by Mr. George She, Secretary of the Old Boys' Association.

CREW FOR NEW SHIP ARRIVES TO-DAY

Filipino officers and crew, headed by Captain J. Calleja, arrive here to-day in the s.s. Tjisadane from Manila to take over the Governor Wright, which has been built here for La Naviera Filipina in Cebu.

The Governor Wright is the second addition to La Naviera fleet ordered from Hongkong within the last two months, the first being the motor-ship, Surigao I.

SUPREME COURT INVASION

Fifty-two Chinese women and girls invaded the Supreme Court yesterday morning when they brought claims for arrears of wages against the Hing Yip Battery Company of Nos. 252 to 262 Portland Street, Kowloon, before the Acting Police Judge, Mr. Justice E. H. Williams. The total amount of the claim was \$327.50.

His Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiffs.

A CHEERFUL OCCASION

Mr. John Edwin Stewart, M.I.C.E., M.I.E.E., of Copse Hill, Wimbledon, who died at the age of 77, left £230.

He suggested that his body be offered to Middlesex Hospital or other hospital, and failing this, "I wish my body to be disposed of in the cleanest manner possible," no black or mourning to be worn or brought; "personally I would be pleased, if the event was made a cheerful occasion. I have had a good time."

FOREIGN MAILS

FIRST CLASS MAIL

The Public are reminded that sealed letters and packets, irrespective of contents, are classified as first class mail and must be prepaid as such.

CHRISTMAS MAIL FOR GREAT BRITAIN VIA SUEZ

Printed Paper Mail (Christmas Cards etc., in open envelopes) closes as follows:—
Registered Mail ... 9.45 a.m. 26th November.
Ordinary Mail ... 10.30 a.m. 26th November.
This mail will be forwarded by the S.S. "Rawalpindi" and is due to arrive at London on the 24th December, 1938.

CHRISTMAS MAIL FOR CANADA AND U. S. A.

Christmas Printed Paper Mail (Christmas Cards etc., in open envelopes) and Parcels for Canada and Letters and Parcel Mails for U. S. A. will be closed in the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office per S.S. "Empress of Asia" as follows:—
Parcels ... 3.00 p.m. 24th November.
Registered Mail ... 8.45 a.m. 25th November.
Ordinary Mail ... 10.00 a.m. 25th November.
These mails are due to arrive at Vancouver B.C. and Seattle (U.S.A.) on the 12th December, 1938.

CHRISTMAS PRINTED PAPER MAIL AND PARCELS FOR AUSTRALIA

The Christmas Printed Paper Mail (Christmas Cards etc., in open envelopes) and Parcels for Australia will be closed in the General Post Office and Kowloon Central Post Office as follows:—

Parcels ... 5.00 p.m. 1st December
Registered Mail ... 8.45 a.m. 2nd December
Ordinary Mail ... 9.30 a.m. 2nd December

These Mails will be forwarded by the S. S. "Tandra" and are due to arrive at Sydney on 21st December, 1938.

Ordinary Mail (not Registered, Insured or Parcels) will be accepted for Canton and despatched as circumstances permit.

Ordinary letter mail only for West Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Szechwan, Kweichow and Hunan will be accepted at senders' risk.

Air mail for certain places previously served by the Chungking and Hankow Air-lines, will be despatched via Hanoi and thence by air as services permit.

Letters and Postcards for Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 17th November.	Imperial Airways Plane	23rd Nov.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow	Yochow	2nd Nov.
Java and Manila	Tjisadane	23rd Nov.
Parcels from Calcutta and Straits	Talamba	23rd Nov.
Salmon	Aramis	23rd Nov.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	23rd Nov.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date 16th November.	Pan-American Airways Plane	24th Nov.
Java	Tjisadane	24th Nov.
Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Doumer	24th Nov.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Parcels etc.) London, date 27th October and London Parcels—London date, 20th October	Corfu	24th Nov.
Hoihow	Munam	24th Nov.
Manila	Nanking	24th Nov.
Japan and Shanghai	Rawalpindi	24th Nov.
Japan	Kamo Maru	24th Nov.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Fort Bayard	Yunnan	25th Nov.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date 20th November.	Imperial Airways Plane	26th Nov.
Manila	Cornetville	26th Nov.
Japan	Alipore	27th Nov.
Tientsin and Swatow	dupeh	24th Nov.
Amoy	Tjisalak	24th Nov.
Straits	Achilles	25th Nov.

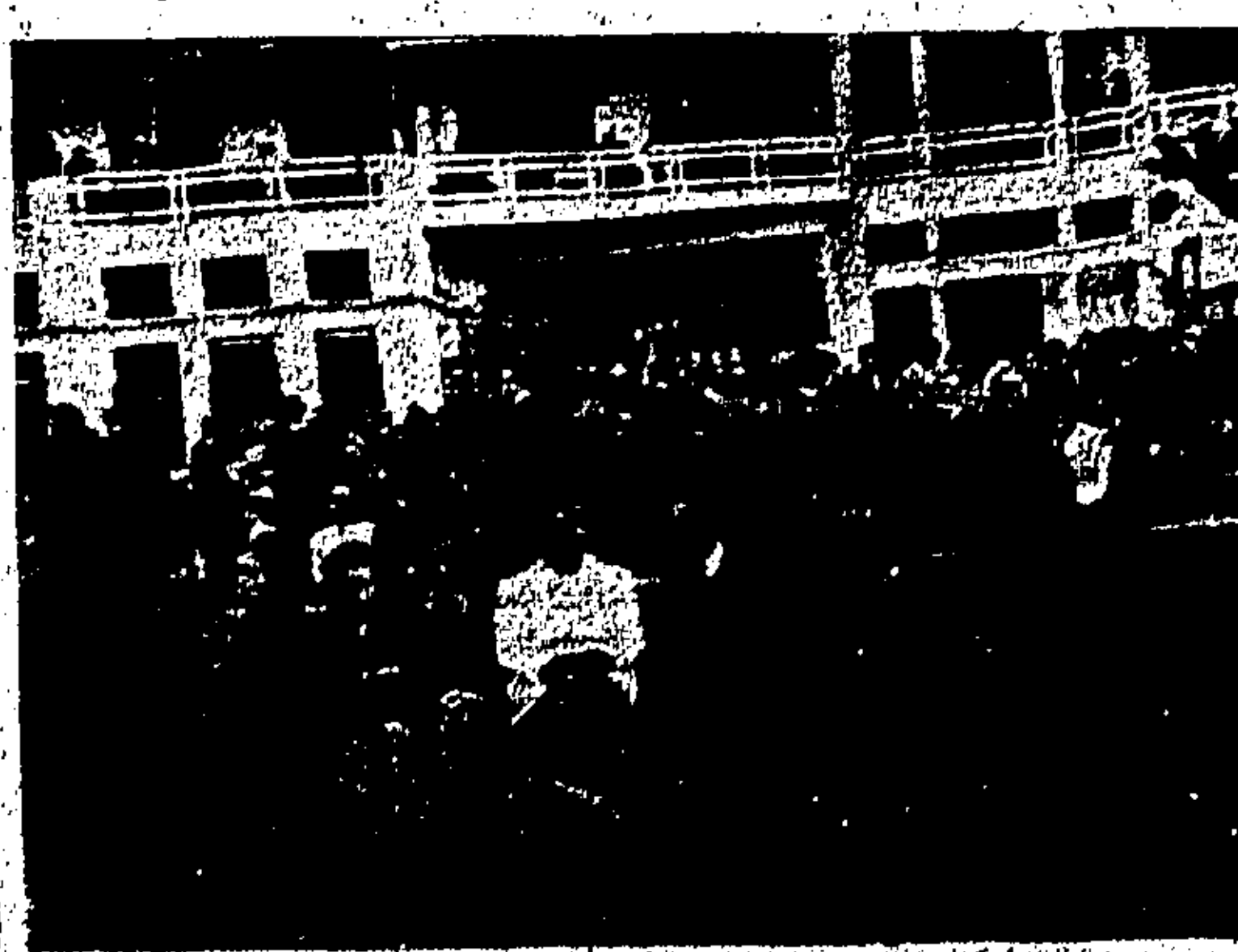
OUTWARD MAILS

REGISTERED AND PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time
WEDNESDAY		
Swatow, Fochow and Tientsin	Newchwang	Wed. 23rd 8.0 AM
Shanghai and Japan	Aramis	2.30 AM
Haiphong	Wingsang	Noon
Shanghai	Menestheus	1.30 PM
Amoy and Chuenchow	Tsiban	3.30 PM
Shanghai and Dairen	Tingsang	3.30 PM
Parcels only for Singapore	Cremor	5.30 PM
THURSDAY		
Sandakan	Hinsang	Thursday, 24th 8.30 AM
K.P.O.		
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco 30th Nov.	Pan-American Airways Plane	Reg. 9.00 AM Ord. 9.30 AM
Amoy	Tjisadane	Reg. 9.00 AM Ord. 9.30 AM
Salmon	Pres. Doumer	Reg. 9.00 AM Ord. 9.30 AM
K.P.O.		
Airmail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 1st December.	Imperial Airways Plane	Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
K.P.O.		
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by Imperial Airways Direct Service—due Sydney, 3rd Dec.	Imperial Airways Plane	Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
FRIDAY		
Swatow	Suiyang	Friday, 25th 8.30 AM
G.P.O. & K.P.O.		
U.S.A.; Central and South America via Vancouver B.C. and (Parcels and Papers for Canada and U.S.A.)—due Vancouver B.C., 12th December.	Emp. of Asia	Reg. 8.45 AM Ord. 9.15 AM
Shanghai, Japan and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia	Corfu	10.30 AM
Fort Bayard, Hoihow and Haiphong	Kingsyuan	Noon

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SPECTATORS AT THE RACES



Picture taken at the Eleventh Extra Race meeting at the Valley on Saturday afternoon. (Photo by Lides)